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FALL CATALOGUE
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BULBS
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THAT
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FREESIA
"PURITY"

John Lewis Childs,
FLORAL PARK, N.Y.



Grand New White Freesia-Purity.

SEE ILLUSTRATION ON COVER.

One of the very finest of recent Bulb Novelties. Flowers of enormous size, with thick, heavy, waxy petals that last nearly two weeks, even when cut. Flower pure snow white save one tiny yellow spot in throat, and of wonderfully beautiful shape, petals being large, rounded and well open. Unlike all other Freesias. Grand for winter-blooming in pots. Large bulbs, 6c. each; 6 for 30c.; 12 for 50c.; 25 for \$1.00.



WONDERBERRY AS A POT PLANT.

The Wonderberry.

This remarkable new berry, the creation of Luther Burbank, is adapted to pot as well as open ground culture. In pots it grows and fruits all winter, and can be grown from seed or cuttings. Seedlings fruit within three months and plants from cuttings even sooner. The fruit is the size, shape and color of large ripe Huckleberries; flavor is also much the same. Fruit after ripening will keep a long time either on the plants or picked, and the longer they are kept the sweeter and richer will be the flavor. It is for cooking, canning and preserving however that the Wonderberry is most useful, and the great quantities of fruit which a few plants will produce is marvelous.

Seed—Per pkt. 20c.; 3 pkts. for 50c.

Plants—Large, strong and already fruiting, 25c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for \$1.00; 15 for \$2.00.



Seed for Winter-Blooming.

The following seed can be sown in pots of good soil at any time from November to January 1st. They will germinate quickly, grow rapidly and be in bloom in a surprisingly short time, and please immensely.

Sweet Alyssum, Snowtuft—This marvelous new Alyssum is so dwarf, compact and free flowering that a border of it is like a tuft of new-fallen snow. The plants grow so compact and the flowers are so numerous that nothing but a sheet of glistening white can be seen. We have attempted in our cut to give some idea of this, but it cannot do it justice. Suffice it to say that this Alyssum is one of the very finest Flower Seed Novelties ever introduced and one that will give satisfaction beyond what anyone may anticipate. Blooms in 4 weeks from seed and makes one of the finest pots of winter flowers. Pkt. 10c.

Diamond Flower—It is one of the loveliest little annuals rarely growing over two inches in height and forms a tuft of beautiful foliage which is completely smothered in a profusion of white and velvet blossoms glistening like diamonds. It will be in bloom within a month from the time of sowing the seed at any time of year. For pot culture in winter it is just superb. Pkt. 10c.

Nicotiana Sanderi Hybrids—A great winter-bloomer for pots. Immense number of blooms at all times; blooms in 50 days from seed, and as a pot plant very easily grown in any window. Many fine colors mixed. Pkt. 5c.

Morning Glories—For winter-blooming—Seed sown at any time during the winter will commence blooming in about thirty days and when the plants are only three to four inches high, and continue for months. The flowers remain open all day, from the morning until night, making as pretty a pot flower as you can imagine. Pkt. 5c.

Shoo-Fly Plant—A most beautiful flowering plant, and blooms in a very short time (60 days) from seed. It is particularly valuable for winter, the blossoms being large, cup-shaped, light blue with a white center. Pkt. 10c.

Schizanthus, Childs' Winter-Blooming, Mixed Colors—Plants grow freely and flowers appear in large racemes and resembling some species of Orchids. Try it. Pkt. 5c.

Sweet Pea, Winter-Blooming—An extra early flowering sort, that succeeds finely in pots for window or conservatory during winter. A perfect success as a pot plant. Pkt. 5c.

1 pkt. each of the 7 sorts for 35c.

Just try the seed here offered for winter-blooming. You will surely be greatly surprised and delighted with the results. Alyssum Snowtuft is the finest thing ever seen for pots.

A Word About Fall Bulbs.

FLOWERS are our natural home companions, designed by nature to give us happiness and companionship and to refine and elevate our taste—truly a rich blessing to mankind. We need flowers most during our long, dreary winters and in the early spring before the wild plants and trees are in bloom. These are obtained most abundantly, most satisfactorily and most cheaply from fall bulbs. Both for winter flowers in the house and early spring flowers in the garden we must depend mainly upon the various bulbs offered in this Catalogue: Hyacinths, Tulips, Crocus, Narcissus, Chionodoxas, Freesias, Lilies, Ixias, etc. Potted this fall they are sure to give beautiful and fragrant blossoms in abundance during the winter. Planted in the garden this fall they will greet us in early spring with a profusion of gay blossoms. Nothing is easier cultivated, surer to bloom, or more beautiful and fragrant than fall bulbs. They are so very cheap that for small cost one may have them in abundance.

To secure the best results one must plant the best Bulbs. This is absolutely what we supply—the very cream of Holland's annual output, and we challenge comparison. We pay the highest prices and get the best bulbs, not the second sizes, and weakly stock usually supplied by catalogue mail trade houses, but large, strong and select bulbs that give immense satisfaction every time.

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We Take the Risk.—We guarantee that all money sent us shall reach us, if sent by Post Office or Express Company's Money Order, Bank Drafts, Bills or Coin by Registered Letters. We will not be responsible for coin sent in ordinary letters, or for postage stamps.

Free by Mail or Express.—We send Seeds, Bulbs and Plants FREE BY MAIL OR EXPRESS at the prices named in this Catalogue. This brings them to the very doors of our customers without trouble or expense. Of course we must have the privilege of sending either by mail or express as we deem best and cheapest. If a package is ordered to go by express, we do not pay the charges if it might go cheaper by mail, but we always add extras to partly or wholly pay the cost. All the large express companies carry our goods at very low rates.

We Guarantee that every package we send out shall reach its destination in good condition, and that everything shall be received exactly as ordered. If a package is lost, or any of its contents injured on the way, we will send again. We also guarantee everything true to name.

We Pack all Plants carefully in strong boxes, which insures their safe transit through the mails to the remotest part of the country or abroad.

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Culture of Holland and Cape Bulbs, for Window and Garden.

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HARDY OR HOLLAND BULBS.

HARDY, OR HOLLAND, BULBS are most deservedly popular. In the flower garden they have wrested two months of each year from Winter's stern grasp. Before the last snowdrift has melted, the Snowdrop, Scilla and Crocus appear, close followed by a score of others that have made the name "Spring Flowers" synonymous with beauty and fragrance. Indoors they have won equal triumph, and hold the place of honor for beauty, fragrance, easy culture and certainty to bloom. We make a specialty of supplying a grade of extra large and select Bulbs, the cream of Holland's annual output. We *know* that they are the *best* imported into the United States.

Culture for Winter Blooming.

How to Have Flowers in Profusion.

IN NEARLY every home there is someone who loves to cultivate flowers in winter, and there is always one or more windows that can be used for that purpose. To fill these windows with beautiful flowers and plants during winter is only a question of knowledge—knowledge which will lead to a proper selection of kinds. The proper plants will grow and thrive without any special care. They will bloom profusely. They will be beautiful and fragrant, brilliant and fascinating, and they cost very little. What are they? First and foremost we say **Hardy Bulbs**.

The following is a list of the most desirable bulbs for winter bloom, being of the easiest culture, and sure to produce the most satisfactory results:

Hyacinths	Sacred Lilies
Alliums	Tritonias
Narcissus	Iris
Freesias	Gladiolus
Oxalis	Camassia
Ornithogalum	Chionodoxa
Scilla	Anemone
Ixia and Sparaxis	Calochortus
Triteleia	Ranunculus
Calla	Cyclamen
Eucharis	Lilies
Tulips	

The culture of all these Bulbs is very simple. They can be potted during September, October or November, watered well and set away in a cellar or any cool, dark place to make roots, when, after remaining four or six weeks, or as much longer as desired, they can be brought out for blooming. We earnestly advise potting the bulbs as early as possible, especially if flowers are desired as early as New Year's, for the longer time they have to make roots the better they will bloom. By bringing out a few pots at different times a succession of bloom can be kept up all winter. If they are kept in a cool place while in bloom the flowers will keep perfect a long time. For the benefit of those who desire more explicit cultural directions we give it here in detail:

SOIL—The variety of soil is not a very important item in bulb culture. Any good garden loam will answer, but if we had a variety to choose from we would take a rich, sandy soil and mix it with a small quantity of leaf-mold. Do not use manure unless it is very old and well pulverized, and then only in small quantities, or it may cause the bulb to decay, or encourage too rank a growth of foliage.

TIME TO PLANT—Bulbs can be planted from September to December, and some kinds even later, but the earlier the better will be the result, especially if desired for early blooming. Plant in September or October if possible.

PLANTING—In planting, set the bulbs just below the surface of the soil, so that they will be entirely covered. Set the bulbs down in the soil and cover them; do not press them in by force, for this packs the soil under them, and when the roots start they are apt to lift the bulb.

AFTER PLANTING—They should be well watered and set away in some cool, dark place to make root. A cellar is best, for it is desirable that they should be kept moist and as cool as possible, hence a warm, dry place is not a good one. Water them from time to time as the soil becomes dry. They should remain in this position at least four weeks, and as much longer as possible, it being desirable that they should have good roots before bringing them out to bloom.

BLOOMING—When brought from the cellar or storeroom the pots or bulbs should be placed in a light, sunny window. See that they are watered frequently and have as much fresh air as possible. Keep them free from dust, and when in bloom they will last much longer kept in a cool atmosphere than in a hot one.

Culture in the Garden

Bulbs are especially valuable for outdoor planting, as they bloom at a time when the garden is utterly destitute, and make it gay and attractive. Scillas, Snowdrops and Crocus appear as soon as the snow is away, and are quickly followed by Hyacinths, Narcissus, Tulips, etc. The display which a few of these bulbs make in the early spring is indeed charming, and they are always appreciated more than any other class of flowers, for they come when most needed.

For garden culture bulbs do not need a very rich soil and are easily cared for. Plant in September, October or November, which are the best months. Late in the fall the beds can be covered with leaves or other coarse litter, which should be removed early in spring. After the bulbs are through flowering the leaves soon turn yellow and die, and are then ripe enough to be taken up and stored away for planting again in the fall, leaving the beds to be filled with other plants for the summer display, or, if desired, they can be left in the beds the whole year.

PREPARATION OF BEDS—Spade up so that the beds will be a little higher than the surface, so that water will readily drain off. If the soil is poor, add a liberal quantity of well-rotted manure.

TIME TO PLANT—September and October are the best months for planting bulbs in the garden, though it may be done in November and December. Set them from one to six inches apart, according to variety or size, and from one to three inches deep.

PROTECTION—After planting, the beds should be covered with leaves, straw or other coarse litter (as a mulch or protection), which should be removed when the bulbs start in early spring. This is not necessary to save the bulbs for most kinds are perfectly hardy in any situation without protection, but it is most advisable to do it, for it preserves the vitality of the bulbs to a great extent, and when in bloom you can notice that those which were protected will do twice as good as those which were not.

WHY OUR BULBS ARE ALWAYS GOOD

WE have always appreciated the importance of supplying first-class bulbs only, and have never cheapened the quality of our stock to compete with low prices, yet we do a larger mail-order business in this line than all other houses in the country combined who issue fall catalogues. Competition in price has influenced many dealers who know better, to import and sell second-class stock. This is done for the purpose of saving, not only on the first cost of the bulbs but also on duty, and more especially on the great amount of postage that is saved in sending them out. Strictly first-class bulbs of Hyacinths, Tulips, Narcissus, etc., are large and heavy and cost the dealer in postage and expressage for delivery a great deal more than second-class bulbs, to say nothing of the first cost which is nearly double. As a rule, these second-class bulbs do not give satisfaction and the one who plants them is therefore disappointed and discouraged. We offer in this Catalogue nothing but strictly first-class stock.



Three Grand Lilies for Easter.

These are all extra fine pot Lilies for winter blooming. As pot flowers for Easter they surpass everything else.

Harrisii or Bermuda Easter Lily—Large, pure white, trumpet-shaped flowers of great beauty and fragrance: as a winter bloomer nothing can surpass it. Plant in six to eight-inch pots of good soil and treat like other winter-blooming bulbs. It is impossible to describe the charming beauty of this Lily as a pot plant. Our bulbs are extra large, strong and healthy, and fully matured before lifting. *Extra strong bulbs of enormous size, which will give magnificent results, 40c. each; 5 for \$1.00. Good flowering bulbs, 20c. each; 5 for 50c.*

Candidum—This fine Lily produces from six to thirty lovely waxy-white blossoms, which have the most delicious fragrance of all Lilies. It is one of the most charming winter flowers, and sure to bloom freely. Treat the same as L. Harrisii. *Extra strong bulbs of enormous size, 30c. each; 3 for 75c. Good bulbs, 15c. each; 3 for 40c.*

Excelsum, or Yellow Candidum—This beautiful Lily is a near relative of Candidum, being like it in bulb, foliage and growth, the flowers being a little different in shape and of a rich apricot-yellow color. It is fragrant and one of the most exquisitely beautiful of Lilies, and, like Candidum, an early and superb winter bloomer. *Strong Bulbs, 40c. each; 3 for \$1.00.*

SPECIAL OFFER—One extra large bulb each of the 3 for \$1.00. One smaller bulb of each for 60c.



CHILDS' SELECTED HYACINTH BULBS.

Beyond doubt the Hyacinth is the Queen of Spring. Its hardiness, ease of culture, and certainty to bloom, would alone insure popularity, but it has the additional merit of being one of the most decorative and ornamental of plants. Its massive spikes of waxen flowers are of the most perfect shape and most delicious fragrance, while its colors sport into a hundred shades, tints and blendings. Out of the long lists of Holland growers we have chosen the very cream of all varieties either for pot or garden culture. The bulbs here offered are not second size or inferior quality, but large and select.



Best Single Hyacinths.

These are the finest sorts for pots or gardens, and the bulbs offered are every one of a select large size that will give magnificent results.

5 SPLENDID SORTS.

- Robert Steiger**—Early; fine spikes of flowers of a deep clear carmine-red glowing with richness.
Grand Maître—Elegant light blue; large spikes.
Grand Marvel—A most beautiful sort. Large spikes of handsome bluish-white bells. Few so fine as this.
Norma—Beautiful pink, very large and extra early.
Pure D'Or—Spikes of pretty corn-colored bells.

Price, 15c. each; the 5 for 60c.; \$1.25 per doz.

5 EXTRA FINE SORTS.

- Gertrude**—Tall, with heavy spikes of extra large flowers of a distinct shade of lilac-pink, running to silver-rose, striped carmine. Extra fine.
Gigantea—Thick spikes and large bells of a beautiful flesh color. One of the grandest sorts.
King of the Blues—An enormous, compact spike of bloom, of a deep indigo blue color. One of the finest.
La Franchise—A magnificent variety. Large, long spikes of bluish-white blossoms, turning afterwards to a snowy-white; petals very broad, and flowers of great substance, measuring two inches across.
Pieneman—A magnificent sort with enormous sky-blue bells arranged in graceful spikes of great size.

Price, 20c. each; the 5 for 75c.; \$1.50 per doz.

5 GRAND AND RARE SORTS.

- La Grandesse**—Finest single white. Very large spikes and bells. Color, clear waxy-white.
Mammoth or Lily Hyacinth—Gigantic pendulous bells, each one of which is almost as large as a small Lily. Color, white, delicately shaded bluish. Most superb.
Obelisque—A rare and exceedingly scarce variety, being the grandest of all yellow colors. Spike compact, while the color is the very best yellow.
Queen of the Blues—Enormous spikes; one of the very largest. Beautiful light blue with silvery appearance.
Roi des Belges—Fine, massive spikes, crowded with flowers that open a rich self-carmine, gradually turning into a dark, glowing crimson. The brightest Hyacinth.

Price, 25c. each; the 5 for \$1.00. \$2.00 per doz.

THE ABOVE 15 UNSURPASSED SORTS FOR \$2.00

Mixed Hyacinths.

Our mixed Hyacinths are not ordinary stock, but fine large bulbs, which will give magnificent bloom either in the house or garden.

	Per doz.	Per 100
Single Mixed, all Colors, extra fine.....	75	\$4 50
Double Mixed, all Colors, extra fine.....	75	\$4 50
Double and Single Mixed, extra fine.....	65	\$4 00
Pompon Mixed, all Colors, double and single..	50	\$2 50
Roman Mixed, all Colors, double and single..	50	\$2 50

SINGLE & DOUBLE HYACINTHS.

Best Double Hyacinths.

Grand select bulbs, grow nespecially for winter blooming, for which purpose each variety here offered is a real gem. Please remember that these bulbs are extra large and strong.

5 SPLENDID SORTS.

- Bouquettendre**—Tall and compact truss; beautifully shaped florets of a tender rose color.
Bouquet Royal—Fine light pink or blush. Extra large spike and very beautiful.
Grootvorst—Compact truss, large and very double bells of bluish-white, with a touch of lilac-rose at center.
La Virginate—Spikes of tubular bells; soft bluish-white.
Prince of Saxe Weimar—Tall spikes of rich indigo-blue.

Price, 15c. each; the 5 for 60c.; \$1.25 per dozen.

5 EXTRA FINE SORTS.

- Sunflower**—Splendid large flower; one of the best yellows.
Anne Marie—Large bells, compact spike, pure white.
La Tour d'Auvergne—Very early flowering, and the best of all double whites. Florets large and wax-like and spikes of immense size. Finest double Hyacinth for pots.
Noble par Merite—Fine, compact spikes of large, double flowers, as perfect as little Roses. A soft shell-pink, gradually deepening into a deep peach-carmine.
Othello—Fine deep indigo-black. A very fine and rare color of exceeding richness and beauty.

Price, 25c. each; the 5 for 75c.; \$1.50 per dozen.

5 GRAND AND RARE SORTS.

- Milton**—Fine compact spike of great size and magnificent color, being a deep dark red of peculiar richness. This is one of the very choicest varieties.
Isabella—Fine large spike, florets of perfect form; color, soft-blush-lilac, delicate and pretty.
Goethe—Fine truss, light yellow.
Gerick—Beautiful blue, fine large bells.
Prince of Orange—Extra large and magnificent spire. Color, fine rosy crimson.

Price, 25c. each; the 5 for \$1.00. \$2.00 per dozen.

THE ABOVE 15 UNSURPASSED SORTS FOR \$2.00

Mixed Named Hyacinths Under Color.

Single White,.....	Mixed	Double White,.....	Mixed
" Red	"	" Red	"
" Pink	"	" Pink	"
" Blue	"	" Blue	"
" Yellow	"	" Yellow	"

10c. each; the 10 for 80c. or either color at 85c. per dozen.

Extra Mixed Hyacinths for Pots.

These bulbs are extra large and fine, selected particularly for winter blooming, and will give great results for pot culture, \$1.00 per dozen.

Roman Hyacinths.

Not at all like the Dutch or Show Hyacinths, though they do not suffer by comparison. The slender stems, arching beneath their load of dainty poised bells, are the acme of grace and elegance, while so many spikes are thrown up from each bulb that the whole plant appears a mass of blooms. Roman Hyacinths are extra good for cutting, and so early that they bloom by Christmas, or before, remaining in perfection nearly a month if the room is not kept too warm. They are extremely early and bloom in the garden with the Crocus. The bulbs can be planted in a 4-inch pot, or 3 bulbs in a 5-inch pot. The bulbs we offer are extra large.

Single White—Every window should have several pots of these. Exquisite bells, white as the driven snow and pleasantly fragrant. Never fails to bloom. Extra large.

Single Blue—Dark blue bells. About ten days later than the white with which it forms a fine contrast.

Single Pink—Lovely shade.

Double Pink—These are larger than the single sorts, and have elegant wavy bells of shell-pink.

Extra Large Bulbs, 6c. each; the 4 for 20c.; 55c. per dozen.

Mixed Romans—50c. per dozen.



Hyacinthus Belgicus!

A distinct species of Hyacinth that we urge our customers to plant largely. It resembles the Grape Hyacinth more than any other, yet it is very distinct, its spikes being much longer and looser and the bells wider and longer in every way. It is also equally adapted to garden or pots, producing a mass of bloom that is very striking and beautiful. Should be planted in masses to produce the best effect. Five or six bulbs may be planted in a 5-inch pot, and will need no more care than other Hyacinths. We offer these at prices so low that our customers can afford to plant them in quantities.

Pure White—Fine for bouquets.

Shell Pink—Delicate and pretty.

Blue—A fine violet shade.

PRICE, The 3 sorts for 10c.; 3 of each for 20c.

MIXED COLORS—20c. per dozen; \$1.25 per 100.

Cockade Hyacinth.

A real curiosity. First, a frizzed, cockade-like spike, an inch or two in length appears above the soil, and as it slowly rises on its long stalks, it becomes five or six times as large as at first, developing into a long feathery blue plume, and lasting for weeks in that condition. One of those pretty, odd things that everybody likes. Perfectly hardy in the garden, and fine for pots. In fact, one of the best and oddest winter flowers. 5c. each; 3 for 12c.; 12 for 49c.

Pompon Hyacinths.

A class of Hyacinths with comparatively small bulbs, and as they are usually compact growers, can be more cheaply grown than the larger bulbous class. While the spikes scarcely average as heavy as other Hyacinths, the difference is small, and many specimens are fully equal to the best of the latter. They are splendid for either garden or pots, while for cutting they are the best of all. Every hue, shade and color is found among them; the flowers are large and wax-like, and the spikes airy and graceful. We offer them so low that they ought to be planted in quantity.

Mixed Pompon Hyacinths—All colors, double and single, 50c. per dozen; \$2.50 per 100.





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CHILDS' GORGEOUS TULIPS.

There is no question that the Tulip is the most popular spring flower that grows. The soft, seductive breezes have scarce whispered in our ears that spring is at hand ere our eyes, wearied by winter's dull, sombre, lifeless tints, are dazzled by a sudden blaze of Tulips in rainbow shades, ribboning the earth with warmth and color. From the first Duc Van Thol, scarce peeping above the ground, to the last Gesneriana Tulip, holding its flaming cup high aloft, there is a constant succession of Tulip beauties—single, double, dwarf, tall, early, medium and late, with blossoms cup-shaped, star-formed, bowl-like, Peony-flowered, imbricated like a Rose, twisted, waved and horned, like the plumage of some fantastic bird. No garden can be complete without plenty of Tulips. Have some of all kinds, they are so cheap.

Grand Double Tulips.

Double Tulips produce very large double flowers, many of which are as large and showy as a Peony. The bright colors of the large double blossoms contrast splendidly and make a charming display.

8 VERY FINE SORTS.

- Blue Flag**—Late. Flowers beautiful shape; a distinct color of purplish-blue.
- Double Crown**—Large and double flower. Dark cardinal-red, with black shading. One of the best.
- Duke of York**—Beautiful incurved flowers of poppy-red, broadly edged white.
- Gloria Solus**—Of enormous size and very double. Bright scarlet, edged yellow.
- La Candeur**—Large and double; wax-like pure white. Largely used for cemetery planting.
- Ma Cousin**—Of remarkable coloring. Carmine-violet edged pink and flamed golden yellow and brick-red.
- Lady Palmerston**—Fine rosy-scarlet. A lovely color.
- Yellow Rose**—A magnificent sort, of very largest size and most perfect form. Deep, brilliant yellow.

Price, 3c. each; the 8 for 20c.; or 25c. per dozen.

8 EXTRA FINE DOUBLE TULIPS.

- Alba Maxima**—Enormous flowers, perfectly double, like a Peony, pure white in color, with delicate shadowy tinge of soft pink. Exceedingly fine.
- Count de Leicester**—Another very distinct and finely colored sort. Light orange feathered yellow.
- Mariage de Ma Fille**—Immense flower of the most perfect shape and superb coloring. Carmine-red, banded, striped, flaked and feathered with pure white.
- Murillo**—Large, graceful flowers of a flesh-white, bordered and clouded rose.
- Queen Victoria**—Blood-red. Very double.
- Rex Rubrorum**—Large double flowers of deepest scarlet. Very double and perfect.
- Rose Blanche**—Large incurved white; most perfect shape.
- Salvator Rose**—Gigantic size, elegant shape and of the loveliest soft rosy color, with pure white stripes.

Price, 5c. each; the 8 for 30c.; 3 of each for 75c.; or 35c. per dozen

The 16 Sorts for 40c.

Splendid Mixed Double Tulips—All colors and varieties. 25c. per doz.; \$1.50 per 100; \$12.00 per 1000. Extra large bulbs,

Picotee Tulips.

These are quite new, and to our mind the most exquisite of all. They bloom after the single varieties, or about the same time as the Byblooms. Flowers very large, and borne on tall, graceful stems, like Gesneriana. Each petal has a distinct border of bright crimson, which is most beautiful, and gives them the name of "Picotee."

Picotee White—Pure white with a fine border of crimson, which makes the flowers exceptionally beautiful.

Picotee Yellow—Golden yellow with crimson edge.

PRICE—5c. each; 6 (3 of each) for 25c.; 40c. per dozen.



Tulipa Greigi.

Its large, green leaves are variegated with black spots, flowers of the largest size, transparent scarlet, as clear and beautiful as a sheet of wax. No other Tulip has a color like it, and none are so strikingly beautiful. Its magnificent color shows up almost like a torch in a dark night. 15c. ea.; 3 for 40c.

SINGLE TULIPS



Single Tulips.

The Single Early Tulips are great for bedding and for winter blooming in pots. The following are the very best kinds.

8 VERY FINE SORTS.

- Cardinal's Hat**—Rich blood-scarlet; gold tinted border.
Duchess of Parma—Extra large, early and gloriously colored. Orange-yellow, shading to terra cotta, with fiery yellow and brown shading. Bright and showy.
L'Immaculee—Beautiful snowy-white with lemon eye.
Purple Crown—Cup-shaped flower maroon-cardinal.
Cottage Maid or La Precieuse—Lovely pink and white, most charmingly suffused and feathered, of immense size, most unique in color and one of the loveliest Tulips that ever bloomed either for pots or the garden.
Chrysolora—Very large flower and widely-opened. Color, a splendid golden yellow.
Miltiades—Large, elegant flower, splendidly cupped. Pure white, exquisitely shaded and clouded soft pink.
White Swan—Large, pure white flowers; extra fine for winter blooming.

Price, 5c. each; the 8 for 20c.; 3 of each for 50c.; 25c. per dozen.

8 EXTRA FINE SORTS.

- Color de Cardinal**—Large cup-shaped blossoms of a rich cardinal-red. Intensely brilliant.
Kaiser Kroon—Outside of each petal bright scarlet, broadly bordered yellow; inside deep yellow zoned with wide center band of velvety scarlet, glowing like fire. Extra large size.
Globe de Rigaud—Very large, round flowers of an odd lilac shade, freely striped and flaked pure white.
Joost Van Vondal—Beautiful glossy rose, deep, rich red and pure snow-white, the colors mingled and blended together in a charming manner. One of the largest and very finest.
Proserpine—A grand flower and a superb color. Exquisite rosy-scarlet, a shade not found in any other sort, and lovely beyond description. Great size, beautifully cupped.
Verboom—Flower of gigantic size, beautifully cupped, scarlet-red. Extra early and fine in every way.
Von der Neer—A splendid large flower of a rare and lovely bright violet-color. Very distinct.
Silver Standard—Beautiful shaped flowers of a fresh carmine-scarlet, striped and feathered white. Very showy.

Price, 5c. each; the 8 for 50c.; 3 of each 75c. or 35c. per dozen.

Above 16 sorts and 1 Branching Tulip for only 45c.

MIXED SINGLE TULIPS

Extra Fine Mixed Single Tulips, 20c. per doz.; \$1.25 per 100; \$10.00 per 1000. All extra large bulbs.



Branching Tulips.

This Tulip has the remarkable quality of sending up two or three flower stems from each bulb, each stem branching and bearing two to three blossoms, so that five to eight flowers are produced from one bulb. As it is very rare for any Tulip to produce more than one flower, the value of this sort is at once apparent. The flowers are of good, large size and a dark deep cardinal-red with a border of old gold around each petal which gives the flower a distinct and very attractive appearance. It is an early bloomer and forces finely when planted in pots for winter blooming, and is a most showy sort for the garden. Certainly one of the finest fall bulbs we ever offered, 10c. each; 3 for 20c.; 12 for 75c.

Tulipa Gesneriana

The grandest Tulip in existence. Tall growing and late blooming, with large long leaves, and tall, erect flower stalks, which support great waxen blooms larger than tea cups, of the most vivid, glossy, coral-red, each flower showing a deep blue-black blotch at the base that further enhances its beauty. They remain in bloom a long time, and clumps of this grand flower are particularly fine planted among evergreens or shrubbery, lighting up their sombre background as with a torch.

Spathula Scarlet, Blue Center—The true Gesneriana, as described above.

Lutea—Fine golden-yellow.

Queen Emma—Pink, white center.

Maxima—Beautiful large red.

Rosa Lind—Fine rose color.

5c. each; the 5 for 20c. 40c. per dozen.

Bizard and Bybloom Tulips.

It seems strange these are not more commonly grown for their large, cup-like blossoms feathered and flaked as only a Tulip can be, are always admired more than any other. Byblooms have white, light or violet grounds, flaked and feathered, rose, lilac, pink, purple, violet, scarlet, black and crimson. Bizards have yellow grounds, flamed and blazed maroon, black, scarlet, bronze and brown. We offer a fine mixture of every imaginable color and marking. We know our customers if they could but see a bed of these in their gorgeous splendor could not resist planting them.

Byblooms and Bizards—Fine mixed. All with elegantly feathered and variegated colors. 4 for 10c.; 12 for 25c.; 100 for \$1.25.



BIZARD & BYBLOOM TULIPS.

Due Van Thol Tulips.

These are the best of all for house culture and the first of all to bloom out of doors. They are noted for the depth and purity of their colors, and as they bloom two weeks in advance of all other Tulips, are quite indispensable in the garden, as well as for the house.

Gold Striped—Scarlet, striped, Rose—White, shaded with clear rose, beautiful.

Scarlet—Dazzling scarlet.

Violet—Lovely violet-crimson, white border.

White—A fine, pure color.

Orange—A fine beddar.



DOUBLE DUC VAN THOL.

Double—These are popular for house culture, as they are so certain to bloom, and so early and fine. Very brilliant, red and yellow.

PRICE—5c. each; the 7 for 30c.; 35c. per dozen.

Mixed Duc Van Thol Tulips—All colors, 25c. per dozen; \$1.50 per 100.

FRAGRANT TULIP.

Large, golden-yellow; very sweet. Buds, when closed, look like an enormous Tea Rose. 6c. each; 3 for 15c.; 12 for 50c.



"DUC VAN THOL" TULIPS.



"PARROT TULIPS"

Parrot Tulips.

A flower more bizarre, fantastic, or gorgeous, would be hard to find. A bed or clump of them always attracts much attention. They are six, seven and eight inches across, with petals toothed, horned, twisted and waved, now loosely incurved, now spread flatly out like a star. Some are yellow, some are crimson, or again dashed, flaked or feathered with green, gold or scarlet. Fine to plant among shrubbery, or for bedding. They grow ten inches in height, and bloom just after the double Tulips. Our Parrot Tulips are extra large bulbs sure to bloom. Medium sized bulbs will not bloom well.

Constantinople—Fine deep crimson.

Gloriosa—Yellow, splashed and striped crimson and green.

Perfecta—Gaily striped, yellow and red.

Lutea Major—Fine yellow.

Cramoise Brilliant—Deep, dark, rich ruby-crimson, with large star-shaped black center, 9 inches across.

Price, 4c. each; the 5 for 15c.; 30c. per dozen.

Fine Mixed Parrot Tulips—All varieties, Doz. 20c.; 100 \$1.25.

Mayflowering Tulips.

The so called Mayflowering Tulips are a class of late blooming sorts, among which are the Byblooms, Bizards, Darwins and a considerable list of other named sorts and species. They are exceedingly beautiful and show a wide range of rich colors. They are very showy if the weather is cool and damp at the time of blooming. Hot weather injures them. All sorts mixed, 25c. per dozen; \$1.50 per 100.

Mixed Tulips.

Our mixed Tulips are of extra fine quality being made up from first-class named sorts and much superior to the ordinary grades. All extra large bulbs.

	Per doz.	Per 100.	Per 1000.
Double Fine Mixed —All colors..	25	\$1 50	\$12 00
Single Fine Mixed —All colors..	20	1 25	10 00
Parrot Fine Mixed —All colors..	20	1 25	11 00
Byblooms and Bizards Fine Mixed —All colors.....	25	1 50	12 00
Duc Van Thol, Fine Mixed —All colors.....	25	1 50	12 00
Darwin, Fine Mixed —Grand...	30	1 75	15 00
Mayflowering, Mixed	25	1 50	12 00



DARWIN TULIPS.

Darwin Tulips.

A new race of Tulips which produce only solid self colors and bloom early in May. The flowers are of great size, like Gesneriana, and are borne on tall graceful stems. The colors are exceedingly rich and varied, ranging through all the shades of rose, deep red, violet, purple-blues to coal-black. Darwins are probably the most showy class of Tulips in cultivation, a bed of them producing an effect which for rich splendor is not surpassed by any other flower. A valuable novelty which all should try.

Auber—Deep plum, blue base, white eye.

Circe—Heliotrope flushed white.

Loveliness—Soft rosy carmine.

Nymph—White shaded rose.

The Sultan—Pure black.

6c. each; the 5 for 25c.; 50c. per dozen.

Mixed—All colors and shades. Dozen, 30c.; 100 for \$1.75.

Jonquils.

These dainty flowers are a gleam of gold when in bloom and large clumps or masses of them are always admired. They are extra fine for pots, from their beautiful color, profusion and delightful fragrance and they flower very early in the window. In the garden they are perfectly hardy, and their lovely blossoms appear almost as soon as Crocus.

Single—Very dainty pure gold and very sweet.

Double—Perfect little golden roses of the most exquisite beauty and fragrance. Nothing finer for bouquets.

Giant Odorous—We think this is one of the finest yellow-flowered bulbs on our list. Flowers twice the size of other Jonquils, but retain the same beautiful color and fragrance, together with profusion of bloom.

5c. each; 3 for 10c.; 12 for 30c.





Single Narcissus.

The airy grace and refined beauty of the Single Narcissus has no superior and few equals among flowers. The beautiful trumpet forms are the height of floral beauty, and the colors harmonious and refined.

12 Finest Single Narcissus.

The rarer and most beautiful Single Narcissus can now be offered at a low price, and the following 12 sorts are exceptionally good. In fact the very best Narcissus grown.

- Ard Righ**—Fine yellow trumpet. Extra.
- Albicans Moschatus**—Almost pure white.
- Henry Irving**—A perfect flower, rich yellow.
- Golden Spur**—Flowers $4\frac{1}{2}$ to 5 inches across, and nearly as long. Petals of the perianth broad and smooth, long and widely flared trumpets, deeply frilled and furrowed.
- Sir Watkins**—A gigantic flower, 4 to 5 inches across, with broad wing-like petals that shade from canary-yellow at the tips to golden yellow base.
- Horsefieldi**—Enormous yellow trumpet, white perianth.
- Emperor**—Broad, rich yellow trumpet, perianth deep primrose. Its foliage is very strong and the blooms enormous.
- Empress**—Possesses the same gigantic size and form of the Emperor, but with golden perianth and white trumpet.
- M. de Graaff**—Long, white perianth, orange cup. Elegant Leeds type.
- Mrs. Langtry**—Perianth white, broad white cup. Another Leeds type.
- Princes**—Elegant large trumpets of a delicate canary-yellow, and large, sulphur-white perianth. Very early.
- Incomparabilis Simplex**—The old golden Daffodil.
5c. each; the 12 for 50c.; 50c. per dozen.

Double Narcissus.

Double Narcissus are very attractive on account of their large, perfectly formed blossoms, long keeping qualities and early blooming. The fine, harmonious colors of white, lemon, orange, sulphur, straw, primrose, are exquisite.

- Albo Pleno Odorato**—A pure white flower of medium size, but very double. Late.
- Incomparable**—Medium early. Large, handsome flowers as double as a rose. Bright canary, interspersed, with orange center petals.
- Orange Phoenix**—Nearly pure white outer petals. Center well filled with mixed white and deep orange petals.
- Van Sion**—Old but unexcelled. Extra fine for cutting. Single star-like petals and long, double trumpet, filled with beautiful crimped petals; golden yellow.

PRICE of above finest Double sorts. 5c. each; the 4 for 15c.; any variety at 40c. per dozen.

SELECT MIXED NARCISSUS.

- Extra fine bulbs and extra fine sorts.
- Single Mixed—30c. per dozen; \$1.50 per 100.
- Double Mixed—35c. per dozen; \$1.75 per 100.
- Polyanthus Mixed—50c. per dozen; \$3.00 per 100.



Narcissus Poeticus.

Well known and loved by all. Exquisite garden flowers yet equally valuable for winter blooming in pots, of which Ornatus is the grandest. Try them.

- Poeticus, Pure White**—With scarlet-edged crown.
- Poeticus Ornatus**—Fine for garden or pots. Blooms three weeks earlier and is larger and finer.
- Poeticus Poetarum**—Pure white with orange scarlet cup.
- Poeticus, fl. pl. Double**—The charming double Poeticus. Pure white with Jasmine fragrance.

5c. each. The 4 for 15c.; 35c. per dozen.

Narcissus Corbulata.

(Cloister Bell Narcissus)

A rarely beautiful flower, both for winter blooming in the house or for the garden. Three to six bulbs can be planted in an ordinary pot and will produce a charming lot of flowers during February and March. Each bulb bears 3 or 4 flowers at a time. As will be seen by the cut the blossoms are very beautiful in both form and habit; color a fine shade of bright brilliant yellow, and fragrant. In the garden they are hardy and bloom early in the spring. It has been called the Golden Fairy Lily, and well does it merit the name.

- Golden Yellow**—Rich and beautiful.
- Citronum**—Lovely citron.
- Cisti**—Pure white. New and exquisite.

PRICE 6c. each; the 3 for 15c.; 50c. per dozen.





Two Grand Narcissus.

For winter blooming few bulbs are so popular and so largely grown as the Paper White Grandiflora and Double Roman Narcissus. Realizing their importance we have, by special contract, secured from France a quantity of bulbs of each, which are of EXTRA SIZE AND STRENGTH, especially for pot culture, and the amount and beauty of blooms from these fine bulbs will be far greater than from ordinary ones.

Paper White Grandiflora—An improvement on the common Paper White, the flowers being about twice the size, of beautiful star-like form, pearly whiteness and delicious fragrance. It is a very early and profuse bloomer, and can be had in full beauty at Christmas and New Year's.

Double Roman, White—This is one of the most beautiful and fragrant of all the Narcissus family. It is known as the Sacred Narcissus of Constantinople. In Jerusalem it is the leading favorite of all flowers. Flowers very double, pure white with yellow center and borne in large clusters. Its fragrance is superb, and blooms very early and freely either in pots or the open ground. A grand winter bloomer.

Extra large select bulbs 10c. each; the 2 for 15c.; 12 for 65c.

Polyanthus Narcissus.

These are considered the best of all Narcissus for pot culture, and by many esteemed the most beautiful. By starting the dry bulbs at intervals from September until January, a succession of flowers can be secured from Christmas until the first of May. No trouble to grow. Treat as you would Hyacinths. The flowers of this class are borne in large clusters and are exceedingly fragrant, like orange blossoms.

Grand Soile d'Or—Large clusters of exceedingly pretty flowers of a clear lemon with deep orange cup.

Juane Supreme—Extra fine dark yellow.

Queen Victoria—Pure white; exquisite fragrance.

Newton—Fine yellow with deep orange cup.

Double White—About same as double Roman.

Double Yellow—(Nobellissimus)—Fine double yellow; new.

PRICE—7c. each; the six for 35c.; 65c. per dozen.

MIXED—We have a mixture of these splendid bulbs and at the very low price of 3 for 15c.; 12 for 50c.; 25 for \$1.00.





Select Crocus.

The Crocus is the recognized harbinger of spring. Between the lulls of late winter's tempest its brave little flowers first appear, minding not the least frosts or hurries of snow. For six weeks its bright flowers smile sanely at us, quite sure of their welcome. Their cost is so trifling that all can afford to plant them freely. The Crocus has been much improved late years in size of bloom and variety of colorings. Crocus are extra fine for borders, etc., and are particularly charming dotted by twos and threes over the lawn. They come in earliest spring, and peep through the grass, as the wild flowers do in the meadows.

Fine Mixed Crocus—Of all colors. Fine, select bulbs, 10c. per dozen; 60c. per 100; \$4.00 per 1,000.

Giant Flowered Crocus.

A few special extra large-flowering sorts of which we offer extra fine bulbs either for winter blooming or for garden planting.

Giant White—Enormous pure white lily-like blossoms.

Giant Yellow—Gigantic bulbs which produce large golden blossoms in great masses.

Giant Striped—(Lord Fielding)—Great blossoms beautifully striped violet on white ground.

Giant Blue—(Sir J. Franklin)—Largest and finest blue.

PRICE—15c. per dozen; \$1.00 per 100; 3 of each for 20c.

Giant Flowered Mixed—This strain is a special mixture of the best new sorts and improved seedlings, prepared for us in Holland by those who make a specialty of these bulbs. Only those sorts with the largest flowers and best colors are admitted in the mixture. Either for garden or house this Crocus mixture cannot be surpassed. Crocus for the house do not thrive under dry heat or gas, but do well in any sunny window of moderate temperature; they can also be grown in rooms almost destitute of fire heat. Try them. 15c. per dozen; \$1.00 per 100.

Queen Wilhelmina Crocus.

An improved Crocus, producing a bulb of enormous size and correspondingly large flowers and more of them. We have it in four colors: white, blue, striped and yellow, and they will be a revelation of beauty to all who plant them. Best of all Crocus for winter blooming in pots, but for the open ground, flowering in early spring, they are simply grand, the flowers being as large as good Tulips.

Great White—Pure snow-white.

Great Blue—Rich purple-blue.

Great Striped—White and blue.

Forty Flowered—Each bulb produces from twenty to fifty beautiful blossoms of a deep, rich glowing yellow and it blooms much earlier than other sorts.

PRICE—5c. each; the 4 for 15c.; 35c. per dozen.

Mixed Colors—Above 4 sorts, 30c. per dozen.



CHIONODOXA, OR GLORY OF THE SNOW

Glory of the Snow.

Once to see this floral gem is always to want it. Resembling somewhat *Scilla Siberica*, it yet differs from it and has a charm peculiarly its own. The purest, clearest tones of blue are to be found in these flowers, that appear so early that they are often overtaken by winter's last forays and become literally Glories in the Snow. Blue is always a scarce color among house plants, and as the *Chionodoxas* succeed well in the house, a pot or two of them should be grown in every window. Their greatest value, however, is for garden planting. Here they increase rapidly, and soon form great clumps that in early spring are a cloud of blue flowers in dainty sprays just long enough for cutting or to wear. They are native of high mountain regions, and perfectly hardy in the coldest part of the country. Plant two inches deep.

Mixed Sorts—2 for 5c.; 5 for 10c.; 12 for 20c.; 100 for \$1.00.

**Scilla Glusii.**

Unlike any other bulb. Stately habit with luxuriant recurring strap-leaved foliage, surmounted by an enormous pyramidal corymb of starry flowers, of a beautiful blue. It is one of the most striking flowers one can have, and very easy to grow. In the house it blooms in late spring. For bedding plant about ten inches apart each way. In pots use a 5 or 6-inch size for a single bulb, 15c. each; 3 for 35c.

**SCILLA
SIBERICA.****Scilla Siberica.**

Hardy and fine. Blooms at the very edge of winter, and laughs at storms and sleet. Beautiful spikes of deepest blue flowers, freely produced and for a long time. Everyone who possesses a foot of ground ought to grow this. It should always be planted in clumps, either in house or open ground. Nothing finer for pots. 2 for 5c.; 20c. per dozen.

**Brilliant Anemones.**

Very beautiful and brilliant spring flowering bulbs which should be found in all gardens. They possess a beautiful range of very fine colors, such as brilliant scarlet, red, blue, rose, striped, carnation, etc. For pot culture they are very fine indeed. For either garden or pots they are fine.

Double Mixed—All colors, 3 for 5c.; 15c. per dozen.

Single Mixed—All colors, 3 for 5c.; 15c. per dozen.

Double St. Bridge—Splendid new strain. Fine large double flowers, various colors, mixed. 3 for 10c.; 12 for 30c.



**IRIS
HISPANICA**

Iris Hispanica.

Magnificent plants both for pots and the garden. They bloom early and profusely, and are exceedingly showy. The colors brilliant, cover a large range of different shades and combinations. Four and five bulbs planted in a 5-inch pot make a beautiful display for a long time in winter, and are absolutely sure to bloom well in any situation, treated like Hyacinths. In the open ground they are perfectly hardy, increase rapidly and make a magnificent display. It is really one of the most satisfactory of all Holland bulbs, and as they are very cheap we advise planting them largely.

All Colors Mixed—2 for 5c.; 12 for 15c.; 100 for \$1.00.

Pure White—Large and fine, } 4c. each; the 4 for
Pure Yellow—Rich deep golden. } 12c.; 35c. per doz
Blue—A fine rich shade.
Thunderbolt—Bronzy black; extra large.



**FRITILLARIA
MELEAGRIS**

Fritillaria Meleagris.

The newer varieties of this charming bulbous plant produce flowers of great and peculiar beauty. They are very hardy and succeed in any situation, and the large, curiously colored flowers always attract great attention. They are of various colors and shades, but all are regularly and distinctly checked, looking in some cases like a piece of calico. The great size of the blooms, graceful, airy habit, and their peculiar and striking and beautiful colors go to make a flower which everyone will delight to cultivate.

Pure White—Large snowy-white bells of exquisite beauty.
Coal Black—Coal-black, contrasting finely with white.

10c. each; the 2 for 15c.; 3 of each for 40c.

Mixed Colors—All shades, 5c. each; 3 for 10c.; 12 for 25c.



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Crown Imperial.

This magnificent bulb of gigantic size breaks ground with the Crocus, and the strong flower-stems at once attract attention. They grow so rapidly that in a few days they stand three feet high, crowned with a tuft of elegant foliage and half a dozen bell-shaped, drooping flowers. These blossoms are as large and beautiful as Lilies. A grand bulb for early blooming.

Mixed, All Colors—20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for \$1.00.



Triteleia Uniflora.

This is the "Starflower," now becoming so popular for both winter and spring blooming. The pretty starry blooms, each more than an inch across, are borne on stiff stalks well above the recumbent foliage. The flowers are white, tipped and faintly striped lilac-blue, and remarkably sweet-scented. A fine window plant if several bulbs are planted in a pot, as they bloom steadily for two months. Out-of-door they form one of the neatest of all spring edgings, increasing rapidly until they form a matted row that from early spring until early summer is one mass of starry blooms that are very fine. 2 for 5c.; 12 for 15c.



Ornithogalum Arabicum.

A native of Arabia. Bulbs large and solid, closely resembling that of Hyacinth, and requiring exactly the same culture; leaves long and narrow, flower spike 18 to 24 inches high, long and graceful, bearing an immense cluster of large pearly-white flowers having a jet-black center. The illustration gives a good idea of its great beauty. The individual flowers keep perfect many weeks before fading, so that for more than a month this grand spike of bloom is in full glory. Its durability is almost without equal among flowers. Add to this its delicate aromatic fragrance and we have a winter bloomer which all must admit stands without a rival. Its culture is the easiest, as it will grow in any position in any window. A bulb can be planted in a four-inch pot, or several in a large pot or box. Extra large bulbs, 10c. each; 3 for 25c.

Allium Neapolitanum.

Indispensable, its pearly-white blossoms lasting so long, and its long stems and airy grace fitting it for all cut-flower work. Sure to bloom and daintily pretty. It is hardy out of doors in a sheltered location, but indoors is one of the easiest of bulbs to grow. Three or four bulbs can be placed in a 4-inch pot. Stems rise to a height of eighteen inches, bearing beautiful umbels of starry flowers that remain perfect for a month or more. We offer very large, selected bulbs that will produce a wonderful amount of bloom. 5c. each; 3 for 10c.; 7 for 20c.; 12 for 30c.



GIANT SNOWDROPS. Snowdrops.

The earliest flower that blooms, and of such hardiness that it minds neither sleet nor snow. Its nodding white flowers are exceedingly graceful and pretty. It is especially fine when planted in clumps and masses to contrast with the deeply blue masses of Scilla. Much used for lawns.

Elwesii, The Giant Snowdrop—The grace and beauty of the large blossoms is enchanting, but what can we say of its fragrance, it is rich and so delicate, unlike any other flower, and really second to none. This fine new Snowdrop was introduced recently from the mountains of Smyrna. It is three times as large and fine as the common variety, and a great acquisition, either for the garden or for pots. Price 2 for 5c.; 12 for 20c.; 100 for 85c.

Double Giant—Fine double flowers. 4c. each; 3 for 10c.; 12 for 25c.





**GRAPE
HYACINTHS.**

Grape Hyacinths.

One of the sweetest flowers imaginable, and in masses very striking, making a wave of intense blue that catches every eye. As hardy as an oak, and as it increases rapidly should be planted in every garden. Its spikes are just the size for buttonhole bouquets, while its long stems enable it to be used to advantage in all bouquets of cut-flower work. If you want a "pot of blue," that will make your window a thing of beauty for a month in mid-winter, plant half a dozen bulbs in a 5-inch pot, and treat as other Hyacinths, and you will have your desire. They never fail to bloom, each bulb sending up two or more flower stalks.

Sky Blue—Most fairy-like.

Indigo Blue—Tipped white.

Snow White—Milky white.

5c. each; 15c. per dozen; \$1.00 per 100; 3 each of 3 sorts, 15c.



CAMASSIA ESCULENTA.

Camassia or Mountain Hyacinth.

Large, strong, solid bulbs, perfectly hardy anywhere and sure to produce their gigantic spikes of lovely blossoms in any situation, either as winter bloomers in pots or for spring blossoming in the garden. Very beautiful, with tall spikes of fine dark blue flowers. Several can be planted in a pot together for winter blooming, and will make a fine display. In the garden they increase rapidly, and soon show great masses of their star-like flowers. Fine to cut for vases or large bouquets. 5c. each; 6 for 20c.; 30 for \$1.00.



Giant Ranunculus.

Their long stems fit them admirably for cutting, and for late spring bedding they have few equals. For this purpose plant them three or four inches apart and two inches deep, with the claws downward. They bear the most lovely flowers imaginable—pink, white, black, yellow, red, bluish, and variegated, each two inches in diameter, and as double and as perfectly imbricated as a Dahlia or Rose. Always choose a sheltered location.* For house culture plant five or six bulbs in a 5-inch pot, and treat as Hyacinths. They are charming winter bloomers.

Mont Blanc—Double, white, **Black Turban**—Double black, **Fire Ball**—Fine double scarlet, **Belladonna**—R^{ds}, black edge, **Apollo**—Magnificent yellow. **Rockolico**—Fine spotted. **Robinson**—Fine, pure rose.

4c. each; 3 for 10c. The 7 for 20c.; or 30c. per dozen.

Giant French Mixed—New strain of large flowering habit and most magnificent colors, 2 for 5c.; 12 for 20c.



Calochortus.

For supreme beauty the Calochortus is equaled only by the Orchid. Some are erect, cup-shaped, others drooping and star-shaped. The flowers are very large, borne on long stems and are of the most charming butterfly colors, white, yellow, buff, crimson, purple, spotted, and shaded in a charming manner. For winter blooming they require only to be potted (4 or 5 in a five-inch pot,) and treated like Hyacinths. For garden culture, give some protection by mulching. When in bloom they will be a marvel of beauty.

Mixed Sorts—More than 30 kinds. 20c. per dozen. \$1.25 per 100.

Snowflake.

The airily poised blossoms of the Snowflake are exceedingly graceful. The snowy bells are touched at each petal tip with freshest green, a contrast most beautiful. Can be grown in a cool window, in the border, or at the foot of the rockery. Grow about nine inches high. For pots they are good, but do not bloom early. Give them time to develop slowly and they will be superb. 5c. each; 3 for 10c.; 12 for 35c.

TRITONIA OR CARDINAL, FREESIA.

It is somewhat misleading to call this a Freesia, though in foliage and general habit it is just like one, but is far superior in blooming qualities. It is really a new variety of Tritonia and the most brilliant winter-flowering bulb in cultivation. Treated like a Freesia it produces spikes of large, well open flowers of the most intense cardinal color. It is very easily grown and sure to bloom in pots during winter, and is hardy enough to bloom in the open ground south of Mass. It created a genuine sensation at the New York Horticultural Show where we exhibited it.

Cardinal—Large wide-open blossoms of a rich cardinal red; very brilliant, and continues long in bloom. 5c. each; 4 for 15c.; 12 for 30c.

Mixed Hybrids—All colors, crimson, orange, yellow, white, pink, striped, etc. Among these are the most brilliant and striking combinations. 20c. per dozen.

**Freesias.**

A new class of bulbs, splendidly adapted to winter blooming in the window. They are always sure to succeed and bloom elegantly for anyone in any situation, and the great beauty and fragrance of the flowers are everywhere admired. The blossoms or buds when cut and placed in vases of water will keep perfect two weeks. In pots they commence blooming early and continue for a long time, the stems branching freely and producing several clusters of bloom in succession. Four to six bulbs can be planted in a 5-inch pot. They commence growing immediately after planting and need not be put away to form roots like Hyacinths, unless it is more convenient to do so. Planting successively from September to November will give a succession of bloom through the winter. Their free growth, abundant bloom, delicate beauty and charming fragrance is a delight to all. Bulbs we supply are extra large and strong.

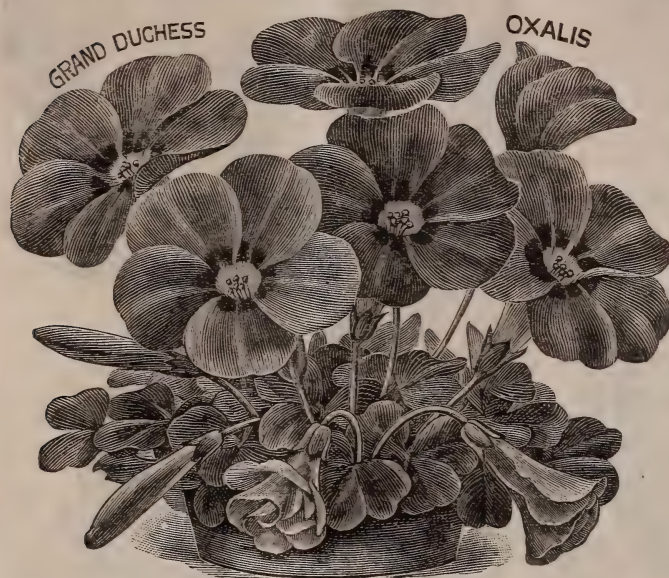
Snowstorm—(NEW!)—A splendid novelty. Flowers of large size, beautiful shape, and borne abundantly in magnificent large sprays. Pure snow white, and highly fragrant. Strong bulbs. 3 for 10c.; 12 for 30c.

Various Colored Grandiflora—A grand new strain possessing many tints, colors and variegations. Not only are the white and yellow colors seen, but pink, orange, violet, primrose, canary and some purple shades. The flowers are of gigantic size and borne in extra large clusters. The fragrance is rich and powerful. All colors mixed. 6 for 15c.; 12 for 25c.; 100 for \$1.50.

Mammoth French—Bulbs of enormous size. The magnitude of bloom which one of these bulbs will give is perfectly astonishing. 5c. each; 6 for 25c.

Good Mixed—15c. per doz.; \$1.00 per 100. All fine bulbs.

Magnificent Winter-Blooming Oxalis.



The Grand Duchess Oxalis.

Entirely new, and there is no doubt about its being the grandest Oxalis, and one of the most beautiful and taking winter flowers it is possible to have. Blossoms immense, 3 inches across, borne well above the foliage, and of the most lovely pink color; leaves, large, clover-shaped and handsome. A most persistent bloomer, remaining constantly in flower from November to June. Surely one of the most exquisite and satisfactory of all winter-blooming bulbs. We have four colors.

Pink—Enormous size, bright rosy-pink. Finest recent novelty, and has been widely advertised. It is one of the best and most beautiful flowers for winter.

White—Pure snow-white. A grand contrast to the above.

Lavender—A fine large flower of a unique lavender color. Largest in size, and elegant in color.

Giant Cut-Leaved Yellow—A new Oxalis of the Grand Duchess type but with elegant foliage and flowers of enormous size and glowing yellow. It is a superb winter bloomer and a really grand novelty.

Price, 5c. each; the 4 for 15c.; 3 of each for 40c.; 35c. per dozen.

MIXED GRAND DUCHESS.

Above 4 sorts mixed, 25c. per dozen; \$2.00 per 100.

Oxalis.

These varieties of Oxalis are all for winter blooming. They make the most beautiful hanging pots and baskets, producing a mass of flowers all winter, which in brilliant and beautiful colors are truly charming. Winter blooming Oxalis are always sure to please. Plant five and six bulbs in a six-inch pot. They commence growth immediately after planting and need not be set away to form roots like most other bulbs. They bloom during the entire winter, a thing we can expect of very few plants or bulbs, and are for that reason doubly valuable. Our bulbs are large, sound and fine.



Double Oxalis Rosebud.

This is perfectly magnificent and always comes absolutely true. No single flowers, all being large and as double and perfect as good roses. Color bright yellow, the individual blossoms being the size of a half-dollar, and borne in clusters of 4 to 10. It is one of the most magnificent blooming bulbs ever offered, plant being dwarf and compact and admirably adapted to pot culture, blooming profusely all winter. This is the first and only true and reliable double Oxalis we have ever had. Fine bulbs 10c. each; 3 for 25c.



Other Superb Oxalis.

Bermuda Buttercup—A fine, robust growing, large flowering sort. Blooms in enormous panicles, each flower being as large as a silver half-dollar and of a clear bright yellow color. Bulbs commence blooming soon after planting and continue all winter without a break.

Giant Bowl—Extra large brilliant red with luxuriant foliage.

Versicolor—Beautiful and compact with an abundance of large pearly-white blossoms, each petal having a wide border of brilliant scarlet, a charming combination.

Price of above 5c. each; the 3 for 12c.; 35c. per dozen.



Ixias.

Ixias produce their beautiful flowers in spikes, and are of the most dazzling and brilliant colors and sure to attract great attention. It is only a few years that they have been grown in this country to any extent, but in that time, like the Freesias, they have become very popular. For pot culture in the house they give great satisfaction, being of easy culture and free bloomers. Half a dozen bulbs may be planted in a 5-inch pot, and the display will be magnificent. For open-ground culture give them winter protection with leaves or straw. Great for garden culture in the Southern and Pacific states.

Aramis—Lovely cream, maroon eye.

Aspasia—Pale lemon, black eye.

Beauty of Norfolk—Light yellow, magenta eye.

Emp. of China—Rich yellow, large dark eye.

Longifolia—Buff color.

Vulcan—Crimson shaded orange.

Wonder—(Double)—Fine pink. Fragrant.

5c. each; the 7 for 25c.

Splendid Mixed Ixias—15c. per doz. \$1.00 per 100.

Sparaxis.

Sparaxis are much like Ixias. The blossoms are very large and open flat, presenting some of the most curious and beautiful combinations of colors to be found. Their exceeding beauty at once captivates all beholders, and it is difficult to find a pot of flowers which will be more generally admired. They require the same treatment as Ixias or Freesias, which is simply to plant several bulbs in a pot of good soil, set them away, and when growth commences bring them out.

Angelique—Pure white. Lemon eye.

Amelina—Creamy white, striped and blotched.

Matilde—Beautiful mauve, mottled.

5c. each; the 3 for 10c.

Splendid Mixed Sparaxis—20c. per doz.; \$1.25 per 100.

Babianas.

Closely allied to Ixias and require the same treatment. Magnificent spikes of bloom equaled only by Gladiolus. Exquisite colors, especially in blues. Do not miss them.

Augustifolia—Purplish blue, tinted red.

Edith—Ultramarine blue; perfectly exquisite.

Purpurea—Dark rich blue.

Rubros Cyanea—Deep blue, conspicuous red eye.

Villosa—Lavender, with deep markings.

5c. each; the 5 for 20c.; 40c. per dozen.

Fine Mixed Babianas—25c. per dozen.



EASTER GLADIOLUS.

The Easter Gladiolus.

A most available and beautiful flower for Easter. Pot bulbs about January first and 3 may be planted in a 5-inch pot. They will soon be up and growing and about Easter will show magnificent spikes of blooms. Color pure white with lemon tinge, and a large bright crimson center. Wonderfully showy and easily grown. Large bulbs, 5c. each; 3 for 10c.



All our Ixias, Sparaxis and Babianas are grown on our place in California, and are wonderfully fine. Same with our Oxalis and Freesias.

HARDY BULBS AND PLANTS.

All these Hardy Bulbs and plants, such as Lilies, Phloxes, Shrubs, etc., can be planted in fall, and will make a nice early start in spring.

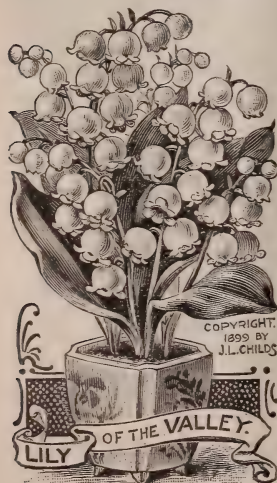
HARDY AMARYLLIS.



Amaryllis Hallii.

Hardy Amaryllis—Lycoris Squamigera.

For 20 years we have had growing in one of the hardy borders of our lawn a beautiful Amaryllis which sends up tall flower scapes each year crowned with a cluster of large blossoms. It increased slowly until we had nearly 100 good bulbs of it. Lately we have found a source of supply in Japan and have imported a large quantity. Foliage grows in early spring and dies down, the flowers following in August. Color beautiful lavender-tinted pink, fragrant and exceedingly beautiful. Perfectly hardy anywhere without protection. A most magnificent thing. Fine bulbs, 30c. each; 4 for \$1.00.



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LILY OF THE VALLEY.

New Giant

Lily-of-the-Valley.

A new giant flowering form of the common Lily-of-the-Valley, which is perfectly magnificent and best adapted to garden culture. When established in masses it is grand and blossoms better and better each year. 6 for 35c.; 12 for 60c.

Dicentra Spectabilis.

The glorious old Bleeding-Heart. Exquisite for winter blooming in pots. Also a favorite early spring bloomer for the garden, being perfectly hardy. Try it for pots, and treat same as recommended for Hyacinths. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.



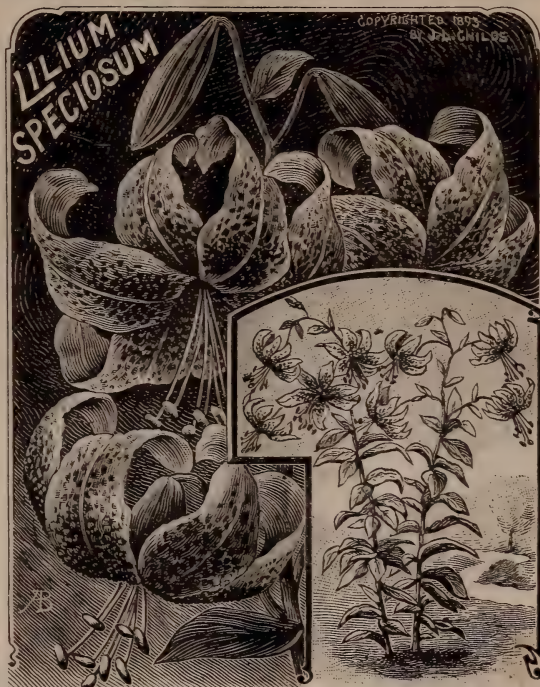
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Lilies.

The brush cannot paint or the pen portray the exquisite purity and delicacy, yet magnificent grandeur of the stately Lily. It is the plus ultra of floral beauty, and we urge our friends to each year add a few Lilies to their collections. No other flowers will so adorn our homes when in bloom, and they constantly improve after planting. We feel sure if our readers could see a good collection of from 20 to 40 different sorts in bloom they would never rest until they had a goodly number of their own. As a rule Lilies are of the easiest cultivation, especially the following, which have been carefully selected as the very hardiest, handsomest, and in every respect the best. Each.

- Auratum Common**—(THE GOLDEN BANDED LILY OF JAPAN)—Ivory-white, spotted crimson, and a broad golden band through center of each petal..... 20
- Auratum Macranthum**—A very robust form, with large, broad-petaled flowers of smooth ivory-whiteness, broad golden band throughout each petal, and numerous golden spots. A grand beauty..... 75
- Auratum Rubro Vittatum**—A very distinct flower of enormous size, of frosted whiteness, with a deep blood-red band through the center of each petal, and the whole flower thickly dotted with crimson spots..... 100
- Auratum Virginal**—Colors only yellow and white, both spots and bands being yellow. One ft. across. Grand! 100
- Brownii**—A grand Lily, but very rare. The large wax-like flowers are chocolate-purple on the outside, snow-white on the inside. Stamens a rich chocolate brown. Blossoms large and trumpet-shaped..... 60
- Bermuda Easter Lily**—The best of all Lilies for the house; sure to bloom. Snow-white waxen trumpets of large size and superb beauty. Very fragrant..... 20
- Batemanni**—Rich apricot. Very handsome..... 20
- Canadense**—A fine bell-shaped flower, light orange yellow, spotted..... 15
- Canadense Rubrum**—Rich, dark red, spotted..... 20
- Canadense Flavum**—Yellow..... 20
- Candidum**—White. Best planted in fall..... 20
- Crocium**—Fine orange-red..... 10
- Hansonii**—A very rare and fine Lily. Blooms extra early, the flowers appearing in large clusters. Color rich yellow with a few black dots..... 50
- Longiflorum**—Long trumpets of the purest white. Flowers large, but plant quite low in growth. Very fragrant. As fine as Harris for gardens..... 15
- Pardalinum**—(LEOPARD LILY)—Rich scarlet and yellow flowers, spotted with rich brown. Robust and free flowering. A superb Lily, and one which will give the greatest possible satisfaction. Succeeds in all situations. No garden complete without it..... 15
- Superbum**—Three to six feet high, flowers from five to forty, nodding; brilliant orange-red..... 15
- Tigrinum, fl. pl.**—(DOUBLE TIGER LILY)—This is a plant of stately habit, growing from 4 to 5 feet high, bearing an immense number of double, bright orange-red flowers, spotted with black..... 10
- Tigrinum Splendens**—Improved Tiger Lily..... 5



- Elegans**—Grand, large tulip-shaped blossoms of many shades and colors. The umbels of upright cup-like flowers are very pleasing. Among the earliest of all Lilies to bloom. Mixed, many fine colors, \$1.00 doz.... 10
- E. Bicolor**—Large bright red flushed with orange..... 10
- E. Leonard Joerg**—Light yellow, spotted black, grand! 15
- E. Double**—Rich maroon, double..... 35
- E. Robusta**—Dark orange, very robust..... 20
- E. Painted Chief**—Very brilliant flame color..... 20
- E. Midnight**—Very dark, almost black..... 40
- E. Aurora**—Very fine apricot and orange..... 30
- E. Citrinum**—Light lemon. Very clear and fine color.... 25
- E. Quilp**—A very bright, varied and beautiful combination of colors..... 30

One each of the 9 for \$2.00.

- Tenuifolium**—The lovely Coral Lily of Siberia. A great beauty. The brightest of all Lilies. Grows 20 inches high, with finely cut foliage, splendid stems and beautiful shaped flowers of shining coral-red. One ought to grow them by the dozen they are so fine for cutting and make such fine clumps for the lawn. Blooms very early. 3 for 35c.; 12 for \$1.00..... 15
- Umbellatum**—One of the very best, blooming in June or July, with very large, perfect flowers. Colors range from black-red through all the shades of crimson, rose yellow, buff, apricot, etc., many being finely spotted and variegated. 25 finest sorts mixed..... 15
- Wallacei**—This Lily is very floriferous, each bulb throwing up from 4 to 5 flower stems, each one of which is crowned with 8 to 10 beautiful upright blossoms, of a delicate, bright apricot color. It is very perfect in form and most desirable sort. 12 for 50c..... 5

Grand Speciosum Lilies.

These are the hardiest, most robust and free flowering of all Lilies, while in beauty they are second to none.

- Rubrum**—Deep rose, freely spotted crimson, and mottled white; perfectly exquisite, 15c. each; 3 for 35c.; 7 for 70c.
- Melpomene**—Words cannot describe the beauty of this variety. Frosted white, spotted, clouded and bearded with pinkish crimson. Petals deeply recurved and widely bordered red. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for 1.00
- Præcox**—Large, perfect and beautiful. Frosted white with a tinge of blush at the top of petals. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.
- Monstrosum Album**—Broad, flat stems and immense heads of flowers, often fifty in a cluster. Pure snow-white. 15c. each; 3 for 35c.; 7 for 75c.
- Henryi**—New and exceedingly rare. Tall, strong grower, producing flowers in a great profusion of a fine apricot-yellow color. The yellow Speciosum. 1.00 each.
- Opal**—We have thought that no Speciosum could exceed Melpomene, but this new Lily is even larger, grander, and, if possible, more richly colored. It is frosted, glistening white, delicately clouded and suffused with rosy blush and spotted with rosy-scarlet. The deeply recurved petals are snowy-white at the tip, gradually deepening in color to the base of each petal. 40c. each, One each of the above 6 sorts for \$1.75.



New Pyramidal Phloxes.

Those who remember the thin-petaled white and the dull-hued purple Perennial Phlox of old fashioned gardens can scarcely recognize these new Phloxes are the same flowers. These new varieties are in bloom from June until frost, and the individual florets are twice the size of the old time Phlox, and the shades of color the brightest, richest and clearest. There are no finer or more useful perennials than the Perennial Phloxes, or which will give more complete satisfaction. The varieties we offer are new and fine, and the plants we send out will bloom magnificently the coming summer. They are cheap and we hope that all our customers will plant them.

Pyramidal White—A plant of sturdy, compact growth, bearing enormous pyramidal panicles of great snow-white blossoms.

Pyramidal Crimson—Like the above, with same great blossoms, but of brightest crimson color. The two sorts contrast finely. They bloom all summer long, and are equal to Hydrangeas in majestic beauty.

Pyramidal Oculata—White, large crimson eye. Showy.
 " **Lavender**—Delicate lavender; white center.
 " **Rose**—Large, bright rose.
 " **Blush**—Blush tinted; extra large and fine.
 " **Wine Red**—Splendid deep, rich wine red color.
 " **Striped**—White and crimson beautifully variegated and striped.

20c. each; any 3 for 50c.; the 8 for \$1.00.

Double Iris Kæmpferi.



These new Iris from Japan rival the Lily in stateliness, the Peony in majestic beauty, the Orchid in marvelous delicacy and blending of colors, the Chrysanthemum in profusion, and surpasses almost every plant in size and kingly magnificence of its flowers. Think of a plant sending up to the height of three feet a dozen flower spikes, each spike bearing from two to four enormous blossoms eight or ten inches across and the most delicate and beautiful colors, markings, and combinations. Think of a bed of all colors, white, indigo, violet, lavender, mauve, sky-blue, royal purple, blush, yellow, etc. This is Iris Kæmpferi.

Double Mixed—40 fine sorts, 5 for 50c.; 12 for \$1.00.

Single Mixed—Grand seedlings with great showy blossoms of superb richness and beauty. 5 for 50c.; 12 for \$1.00.



Peonies.

The favorite of to-day, as it was fifteen years ago. Luxurious foliage plants, with magnificent, double incurved flowers of enormous size and rich colorings. Nothing can surpass the intensity of the dark varieties that fairly glow with a radiant fire of richness, while the white and pale varieties are very soft and delicate in their colorings.

New Giant—Like an enormous double Rose, of a blush color, grows 4 feet high, and bears flowers nearly as large as a man's hat. 25c. each; 3 for 60c.

Fragrans—Deep crimson-pink, double and very sweet. 20c.
Officinalis, fl. pl.—The grand early flowering, old-fashioned double crimson Peony. 25c. each.

Queen Victoria—Fine double white, very early. 30c.

Agida—Fine rosy violet. 30c.

One each of the 5 for \$1.25.

Tuberous-Rooted Wistaria.

A valuable hardy tuberous-rooted climber closely resembling the common Wistaria in vine and foliage and having clusters of rich deep purple flowers, which have a strong delicious violet fragrance. Plant the bulbs near a trellis, tree, fence, or any place where you may wish a climber. They grow to a great height, and blooms profusely. If possible, plant two or three bulbs near together, to produce a greater mass of vines and flowers. 10c. each; 3 for 20c.; 7 for 50c.; 15 for \$1.00.





HYDRANGAEA
ARBORESCENS
ALBA
GRANDIFLORA

Newest and Best Hardy Flowering Shrubs.

The following (mostly new) shrubs are perfectly magnificent, and if planted this fall will bloom well next year.

Snowball Hydrangea—This might be called a perpetual blooming *Hydrangea paniculata grandiflora*. It is certainly superior to that grand old sort, in that it begins blooming in May or June and continues in great profusion until frost, while the old variety only begins to bloom in August or September. The flowers of the Snowball Hydrangea are pure snow white, the clusters almost as round as a ball and as large as a man's hat. The effect of such a glorious plant on one's lawn or in the garden in full bloom all summer and fall can be judged by our illustration. It is easily the grandest decorative flowering plant for outside ever introduced. In addition to its flowers the foliage is also very beautiful, clean and healthy. The plant is perfectly hardy anywhere out-of-doors and blooms finely the first year, no matter how small the plant may be. The bush grows to a considerable size and produces hundreds of its magnificent clusters of bloom every year. Do not miss it by any means.

Hydrangea paniculata—Generally considered the most valuable and ornamental shrub in existence. Bushy and robust, every branch tipped in mid-summer with an immense close panicle of flat, snow-white flowers of gigantic size. The trusses of bloom are ten to twelve inches long and nearly as thick through and last for two or three months, turning pinkish toward the last. No other shrub makes such a show on the lawn or is so universally admired. Grand for cemetery use, and always blooms finely the first summer.

Deutzia Lemoinei—This is the greatest recent novelty in flowering shrubs. It makes a low compact bush which in June is loaded down with large, round, snowball-like clusters of pure white flowers. We know of nothing more beautiful for the garden, yet it has the added merit of being a grand pot plant for winter blooming. It is not too large for a pot and blossoms very finely at any time during winter. It is becoming very popular for Easter.

Weigelia Eva Rathke—A grand New Everblooming Weigelia, producing great quantities of bloom all the season, in magnificent clusters on the terminal branches. Color, deep, rich blood red, the finest color yet seen among Weigelias. A very valuable novelty and the finest all around flowering shrub.

Wolfberry—Of dwarf, low branching habit, forming a dense globular bush with fine glaucous foliage and pink blossoms. Its special beauty however is in its great crop of beautiful round, snow white berries which last well into the winter. Highly ornamental.



AZALEA AMOENA
"SUPERBA"

Azalea Amoena Superba—No finer hardy shrub exists than the too little known *Azalea amoena*. It is as hardy as an oak and the most profuse flowering shrub ever seen, its mass of intense color making a great effect. The new *Superba* differs from the older variety in no way except color. This is quite distinct, being of a purple crimson instead of a violet red. We can recommend it as a shrub that will give great satisfaction. Blooms profusely when plants are very small.

Clematis Davidiana—(BUSH CLEMATIS)—This is a lovely species of *Clematis* growing in a bush form three or four feet high, yielding through the summer great panicles of lovely blue flowers, which are exceedingly handsome and very fragrant. The foliage is large and luxuriant, and the plant is, all in all, one of exceptional beauty. It is perfectly hardy in any locality.

Spirea Froebeli—A glorious new *Spirea* surpassing *Anthony Waterer* as it is more dwarf, and broader in general effect. Flowers in immense flat cymes and very brilliant red in color and borne in great profusion and gives a fine glow of color even in a distance. One of the very finest new things.

Spirea Anthony Waterer—A perpetual bloomer, and suitable either for garden or pots. It is of a dwarf habit, flowering profusely when only a few inches in height, and at all times and seasons. The flowers are of a lovely dark crimson-red color, borne in dense clusters, and have a peculiar feathery appearance which is beautiful.

Weigelia Rosea Variegata—Leaves light green heavily variegated with creamy yellow, making a charming effect, but when its myriads of long, tubular, rose-colored blossoms are out, bending every branch to the ground, we see one of the most magnificent flowers in cultivation. Do not miss it.

20c. each; 3 for 50c. One each of these 10 finest shrubs grown for only \$1.50.

Privet for Hedges.

Nothing makes so fine a hedge as the California Privet which is perfectly hardy and almost evergreen as its beautiful bright shining dark green leaves do not drop until nearly spring. Set plants 1 to 2 feet apart and trim to any length desired. Hedge will be so dense that a chicken can hardly get through it. Beautiful and neat at all times. Will grow to any height desired from 1 foot to 15. Fine stock 12 to 18 inches, 60c. per doz.; \$4.00 per 100; \$30. per 1000.

New Flowering Privet, Dr. Riegel.

A superb flowering privet producing large clusters of pure white tubular-shaped blossoms in great profusion. Very fragrant. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for \$1.00.

New Golden Privet.

A most ornamental hedge or pot plant. It is like the common Privet except most of the leaves are golden yellow, or variegated, green and yellow. It is hardy and robust and as its leaves remain on all winter it is doubly useful and gives fine color effects. As a pot plant, or specimen for the lawn it is also fine and surpasses all other golden leaved plants. It is certainly a beauty and will greatly please everyone. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for \$1.00; 20 for \$2.00, or \$8.00 per 100.

Choice Plants for Winter Blooming.

The following plants are extra fine for winter blooming, and are mostly new or recently introduced sorts that are not seen in general cultivation. We supply healthy, well-grown, vigorous young stock that will be sure to do finely. All grown especially for winter blooming.

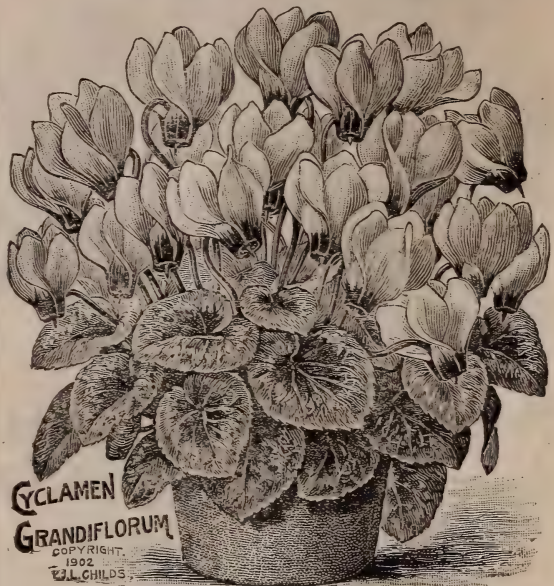
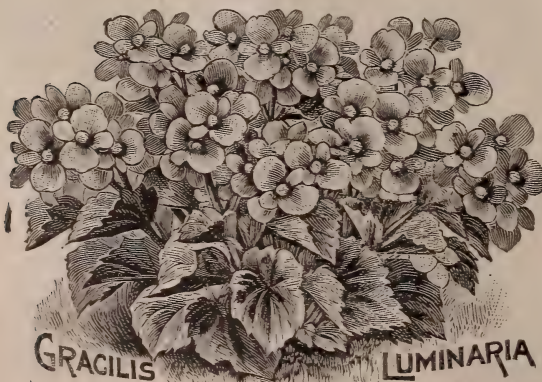


Azalea Indica.

Elegant pot plants, much used for Easter decorations. Though attaining a good size, commence to bloom when very small. The flowers are large and very beautiful, always much admired, and range from white to deep crimson in color, with all intermediate shades and markings. Easily grown in a window. Our plants are finest new varieties, and are greatly superior to the older sorts. Many of them are very double, and the colors of all are greatly improved, as well as the flowering qualities. All the plants we send out are of blooming size.

- Niobe**—Fine double white, flowers large, bush compact.
- Simon Mardcur**—Large double rose or deep pink.
- Dr. D. Moore**—Lovely rose, with white and violet reflex.
- Mad. Paul de Schreyver**—Elegant, large, double red.
- Raphael**—Immense double white.
- Deutsche Perle**—Large double white. Very early.
- C. de W. Anne**—Double, rose-pink flaked white.
- Chicago**—Very large, double and perfect. Deep crimson clearly bordered white.
- Mad. Vandercruysen**—Fine rose with large blotch.
- Illustris**—Semi-double, white and crimson.
- Empress of India**—Fine double, brick-red, edged white.
- Firefly**—Bright soft scarlet.

Price, 30c. each; 3 for 75c. The 12 for \$2 75.



Cyclamen Persicum Giganteum Grandiflorum.

Childs' Improved Large-Flowering.

Few pot plants are so desirable as Cyclamen, especially for winter blooming. Though they are universal favorites, they are not seen in general cultivation to the extent that they should be considering their ease of culture, great beauty and long season of bloom. Bulbs commence blooming in the fall and continue in the greatest profusion till June, each flower keeping perfect a month before fading, and a good bulb will show at all times from 12 to 30 well developed blossoms. They are of the most delicately beautiful colors, ranging from dark red to white, delicate bluish and pink shades prevailing. Often the flowers will be spotted and marked, and finely variegated.

The foliage is beautiful, being variegated with different shades of green, and helps to show off the flowers which rise above it, to a remarkable degree. In fact, a plant in bloom always looks like a tastily arranged vase of flowers and foliage. After blooming all winter bulbs should be allowed to rest over summer in a dry state like Callas.

- Giant White**—Pure white, enormous size.
- Giant Carmine**—Very bright.
- Giant Pink**—Exquisite shades.
- Giant Crimson-Black**—Very dark and rich.
- Giant white Crimson Eye**.
- Giant Rococo**—A lovely new form with large flowers opening flat like a Primrose. Colors varied and delicate.
- Fancy Leaved Mixed**—Very large and beautifully variegated leaves. Flowers extra large and fine.

Fine plants, 30c. each; 4 for \$1.00; the 7 for \$1.50.

Ageratum.

- Fragrant Winter**—An entirely new and distinct Ageratum for pot culture growing 1 to 2 feet high with great clusters of giant blossoms borne in profusion all winter and spring. Flowers white tinted rose and very sweet-scented. Entirely new and distinct and unlike any other Ageratum. A splendid addition to winter plants.
- Princess Pauline**—Lovely with large blue blossoms with pure white center. Dwarf, compact, and a very effective bedding as well as a pot plant.

15c. each; the 2 for 25c.

New Begonia, Gracilis Luminaria.

For pots or bedding this new Begonia is a real acquisition. For bedding it is most valuable as it stands the hot sun, and drouth, blooming abundantly all the time from early till late. In the open air its foliage is a rich bronzy crimson color while the large showy blossoms are another shade of crimson or scarlet, the whole making a most showy mass.

20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for \$1.00.

New Calla, Ethiopica.

Our new varieties of Calla Ethiopica are really marvels. The gigantic size of Giantissima, and the great blooming qualities of Childsiana place those two new sorts far in advance of all others.

Giantissima—Most superb of all Callas. In size and magnificence it is truly a wonder. Leaves two feet long and flowers a foot in length, *three times larger than any other Calla*. It is a strong, quick grower, but requires a large pot and a little time to bring it to perfection. Foliage very dark rich green. Flowers snow-white and open unusually flat and broad. We have had single plants showing 10 or more of these magnificent blossoms at once. Our cut shows comparative size of Giantissima and the Common Calla. Fine bulbs. 30c. each; 3 for 75c.

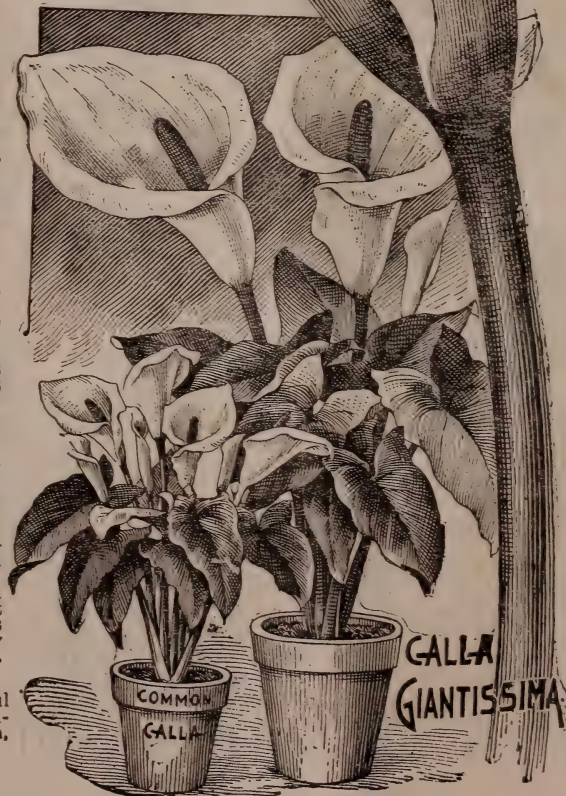
Childsiana—The latest floral sensation of Holland, where this wonderful new Calla was originated and named. Exceedingly dwarf and very compact, with large blossoms which are borne in a profusion never before seen; as many as a dozen flowers are to be seen on one plant at a time, and nearly all of the time. These flowers are of good size, beautiful shape and the most showy whiteness. They open remarkably flat. Foliage healthy and vigorous, and more nearly heart-shaped than any Calla. It is a long way in advance of all other Callas, having such an ideal habit and fine flowers in such wonderful profusion every day in the year. 25c. each.

Burbank's Dwarf Everblooming "Fragrans"—This new Calla was originated by Luther Burbank, of California, who speaks of it thus: "The plants are of medium size, compact in growth, and bloom profusely. It has not only a most charming flower produced in a profusion never before surpassed, but also with a genuine, sweet, lasting fragrance all its own, but similar to the fragrance of Violets or Lilies." Does not grow tall and scraggy like the old variety, but is strong and compact, with a great abundance of dark green foliage. It is a true everbloomer, its flowers appearing in great abundance both summer and winter when grown in pots, or it will bloom profusely all summer long in open ground, and being potted in September will continue blooming without intermission all winter. The same plant will grow and bloom for years without once ceasing, and the quantity of blooms which a good plant will produce is astonishing. It is estimated that six plants of the old Calla will not produce so many flowers in the course of a year as will one plant of this new variety. A large plant is hardly ever without one or more flowers, and its dwarf, compact habit makes it a much more desirable pot plant. 25c. each; 3 for 60c.

Little Gem Præcox—A new European Calla, which created a sensation on account of its dwarf, compact habit, and profusion of large blossoms. It produces many flowers at once, which are of great size and snowy whiteness, borne on plants that are exceedingly small. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

White Lady—The latest Calla Novelty. Flowers beautiful in form and freely borne, plant compact and symmetrical in growth. Quite distinct and very fine. 30c. each, 3 for 50c.

One plant of above 5 Grand Callas for \$1.00.





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Euphorbia Jacquiniflora.

As a winter bloomer this plant has no superior. No matter how small a plant may be, it is bound to be full of bloom all winter long. Color intense crimson-scarlet and blossoms are produced so profusely as to completely wreath every branch in brilliancy. Flowers keep perfect two months before fading. Fine plants for blooming this winter. 30c. each; 4 for \$1.00.

Two Superb Cactus.

Phyllocactus German Empress—This grand flowering Cactus is like the Night-blooming Cereus in size but beautiful pink in color and borne by the score for a long period, each flower keeping perfect several days. It is the most magnificent of all Cactus, and one of the choicest pot plants, selling last year at \$1.00 each for cutting plants. When in flower the plant is one mass of color as shown in cut. Very easy to grow. Strong plants, 20c. each.

Echinopsis Mulleri—A most beautiful flower and as easily grown as a Geranium in any window. It flowers for several months, the long necked blossoms coming from the bulb-like plant on all sides. Color soft, satiny pink of superlative beauty. A plant in flower is one of the most fascinating floral objects that can be found. Fine plants, 25c. each.



RESURRECTION PLANT.

Resurrection Plant.

A ball of tightly folded leaflets, dry and dead. Drop it in a bowl of water and in a short time there is a great, loose, expanded rosette of fine fern-like leaves both odd and beautiful. This can be repeated many times, the plant curling tightly together when dry, expanding when soaked. 10c. each; 3 for 25c.

Streptosolen Amabilis Magnifica.

Absolutely the finest and freest-flowering pot plant in cultivation. It is not only in bloom every day of the year, but it is full of bloom all the time. How a plant can support such a wealth of flowers day after day, week after week, month after month and year after year is a mystery. The plant is entirely new and one of the easiest pot and window plants to grow that it is possible to find. It flowers from the time the plants leave the cutting bed, no matter how small. Flowers large and of a rich dark-blue color that is very attractive. It is, in fact, the best, and almost the only blue-flowering pot plant that is of easy culture and continuous flowering. It is one of the finest pot plants known. Strong plants, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for \$1.00.

DOUBLE GARDENIA
OR CAPE
JESSAMINE.

Everblooming Cape Jessamine.

This grand novelty does not differ from the common Cape Jessamine or Gardenia except it blossoms all the year round, while the old sort blossoms only for a short time in the spring. The flowers of this are very large and perfect with pure white wax-like petals and glorious fragrance. Large, double and surpassingly lovely. A good plant will show flowers every day in the year, and it is an easy thing to manage, growing well as a window plant. 25c. each.

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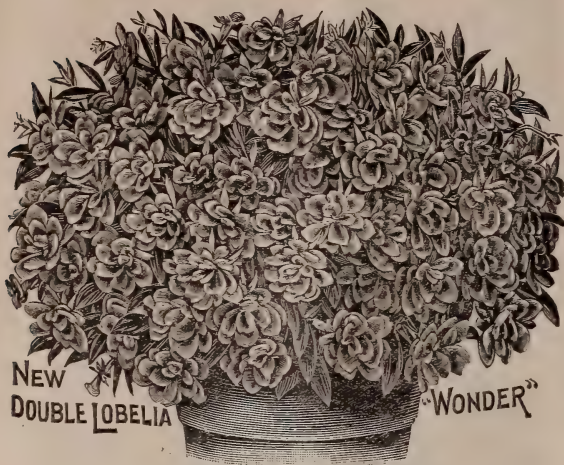


Magnificent New Boston Fern.

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This to our mind is the most graceful and beautiful of all the Boston Ferns, and takes the place of the Japanese Fern Ball, being somewhat like it in habit of growth, only far more beautiful, and better yet, very easily grown. It is so very much superior to the Fern Ball, and so well adapted to a hanging pot, that we have given up Fern Balls entirely and advise our friends to grow this magnificent sort. Fronds broad, finely cut and waved like Ostrich Plumes. No other Fern frond so beautiful as this. 30c. each; 4 for \$1.00.

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This new double flowered Lobelia is truly a wonderful novelty. It is useless to say how many large double blossoms a plant will show at one time, for no one would believe it. Actually a good sized plant is one solid bouquet of the most elegant blue blossoms we ever saw, as many as 300 showing at one time. As a pot plant for window culture it is one of the very finest things ever introduced and a perpetual bloomer, both summer and winter. As a bedding plant it is equally valuable, standing sun and drouth and showing a great profusion of blossoms all the time.

Fine Plants for blooming at once. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for \$1.00.

New Trailing Lobelia.

Almost as remarkable as our New Double Lobelia is this beautiful trailing variety. It makes a most beautiful plant for a hanging pot or basket, the long drooping stems bearing elegant blue flowers in profusion, the effect of which is most charming. Our customers will be greatly pleased with it. Fine plants 15c. each; 3 for 30c.



Lily-of-the-Valley Plant.

A beautiful new plant of trailing or creeping habit, being best adapted for hanging-pots or baskets. It has beautiful heart-shaped leaves and branches freely, growing in most beautiful symmetrical form. It is in bloom all the time, the pendulous blossoms appearing at the axils of the leaves and are bell-shaped, pure white, and about the size, form and color of Lily-of-the-Valley. As a specimen pot or basket flower to be suspended in the window it is the finest thing of the sort we have ever seen. Grows very rapidly and makes a lovely plant in a short time. 20c. each; 2 for 30c.



Crimson Creeper.

We are indebted to the Agricultural Department at Washington for this splendid new pot plant, so entirely distinct from any other and so exquisitely beautiful and useful. As a pot plant it is highly ornamental all the time, the long, slender, and exceedingly graceful vines, red stemmed, with dark, rich-green foliage, being exceedingly pretty as they hang in wavy trusses over the side of a hanging pot or basket. It blossoms during late winter, spring and early summer, the flowers being large and of a peculiar shade of rich bright crimson, and borne in great profusion. Our customers will find this splendid new creeper exceedingly attractive and novel, and we offer it at a price that brings it easily within the reach of all. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Olea Fragrans, (Fragrant Olive.)

This is the sweetest flower that blooms, belongs to the Olive family and is a perpetual bloomer, never without flowers, either summer or winter, though the plant may not be a foot in height. The flowers are small, cream white and though no larger than the head of a shawl-pin, has more sweetness than the largest and most fragrant Lily. Its fragrance is also delicate and charming, really the finest of all flowers, and you cannot pass a plant without noticing it. It succeeds well in any window. 30c. each; 3 for 75c.



Obconica or Monarch Primroses.

These are new large-flowering Obconica-Sinensis Hybrids of various colors, as large and fine as Primula Sinensis. Colors, pink, violet, blush, rose, lilac, white, etc. Very charming flowers, being borne in large trusses, and at all times of the year in great profusion. They bloom very quickly from seed, and the large showy blossoms are borne constantly for a year, and when we realize that these flowers are as large as P. Sinensis, and almost as varied in colors, their great value is at once apparent. Plants very vigorous and easily grown as a Geranium.

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Rose Winter Gem.

The Greatest Pot Bloomer of all Fine Roses.

One of the greatest Rose novelties in years, owing both to its beauty and unparalleled blooming qualities. It is a Tea Rose of remarkably strong and vigorous growth and a prodigious bloomer all the year. It flowers all the time, particularly during winter, hence its name. The blossoms are borne on long graceful stems, are of large size and a lovely crimson-pink color. Buds perfectly exquisite and the open flower full and double. It is the strongest, hardest, most vigorous and rapid growing Tea Rose in cultivation. One plant of it will produce more good Roses in the year than 12 plants of any other Tea Rose grown. This is saying a good deal but it is true. The plant will bloom continually and nothing but killing it outright will check it. The blossoms are singularly beautiful in shape, color and poise, and most deliciously scented. More fragrant than any other Tea Rose. It is so strong and vigorous that it never mildews, and is a rapid grower, blooming at once from small cuttings. The greatest Rose for amateurs and one that will positively bloom prodigiously in any window at all times of the year. Strong, well established plants, grown especially for winter blooming, and ready at once. 25c. each; 5 for \$1.00.

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This Rose is a dwarf everblooming Crimson Rambler, bearing great clusters of bright crimson double blossoms all the year round, just as Crimson Rambler does in June. It is equally valuable as a pot or garden Rose, and blooms profusely summer, winter, spring and fall. Freshly rooted cutting plants when only a few inches high begin to bear most beautiful clusters of bloom, and as the plant grows larger it becomes a marvelous bouquet of beautiful foliage and bright flowers as shown in the cut. Perfectly hardy in the open ground where it blooms all the time, and as a pot plant it will produce 25 flowers to one of any other sort. It is the greatest Rose novelty since Crimson Rambler and the most satisfactory pot or bedding variety in cultivation. Extra large, strong plants for winter blooming. 25c. each; 3 for 60c.

White Baby Rambler—This does not differ from the above except in color which is purest snow white, and perfectly magnificent. 30c. each; 2 for 50c.

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The Wonderberry Vindicated

In the history of Horticulture in the United States there has never been a case where such a supreme effort was made to discredit a novelty as in the case of the Wonderberry, a production of Luther Burbank's introduced this year by John Lewis Childs. The enemies of Mr. Burbank have not hesitated to resort to pure fabrication with no foundation of fact whatsoever. The Wonderberry has been declared to be, first the worthless Garden Huckleberry. When that was disproved it was then declared to be nothing but *Solanum Nigrum*, the Black Nightshade and said to be deadly poisonous, while in fact *Solanum Nigrum* is only mildly poisonous in rare cases. This fabrication has gone the round of the Horticultural press both in the United States and Europe. Dr. N. L. Britton of the New York Botanical Garden, the greatest authority on plants in America, declares that the two plants are not the same and cites the points of difference, as follows:

Wonderberry

Leaves dark green above, 4 to 7, cm, long, relatively firm, absolutely dentate.

Internodes of plant relatively short.

Peduncles erect or ascending, relatively little longer than the pedicels.

Corolla averaging 11.5 mm. in diameter, its lobes triangular-ovate, with a narrow mid-vein which is purple from above the base to near the apex.

Fruit, dull, relatively large.

Seeds 2mm. long.

Solanum Nigrum

Leaves light green on both sides, 8 to 12 cm. long, relatively thin, angulate-dentate.

Internodes of plant relatively long.

Fruiting peduncles deflexed, mostly twice as long as the pedicels.

Corolla averaging 9.5 mm. in diameter, its lobes oblong-lanceolate with a broad yellow-green stripe extending from base to about the middle.

Fruit shining, relatively small.

Seeds $1\frac{1}{4}$ mm. long.

N. L. BRITTON.

Dr. Britton and his associate professors at the Botanical Garden have eaten fruit of the Wonderberry and can give testimony as to its fine quality in a raw state. Cooked in any form, however, it is still more valuable.

All the talk about the Wonderberry being poisonous is utterly and completely false and is a report given out to discredit Mr. Burbank and injure the success of this, the most wonderful new berry plant known to cultivation.

For more than a year I have eaten this fruit, spring, summer, autumn and winter. I am accumulating a large stock of testimonials from reputable and well known people as to the value or merits of the Wonderberry. I grew an acre or more of the Wonderberry here at Floral Park last year and am growing three to four acres of it this year and anyone can see the crop and test the fruit for themselves. I am willing even to send fruit to any Horticulturists or Editors of Horticultural publications.

The berry succeeds best in light, rather poor soil with full exposure to the sun. Plants should be set at least three feet apart each way and they will cover the ground solid; each plant yields thousands of berries.

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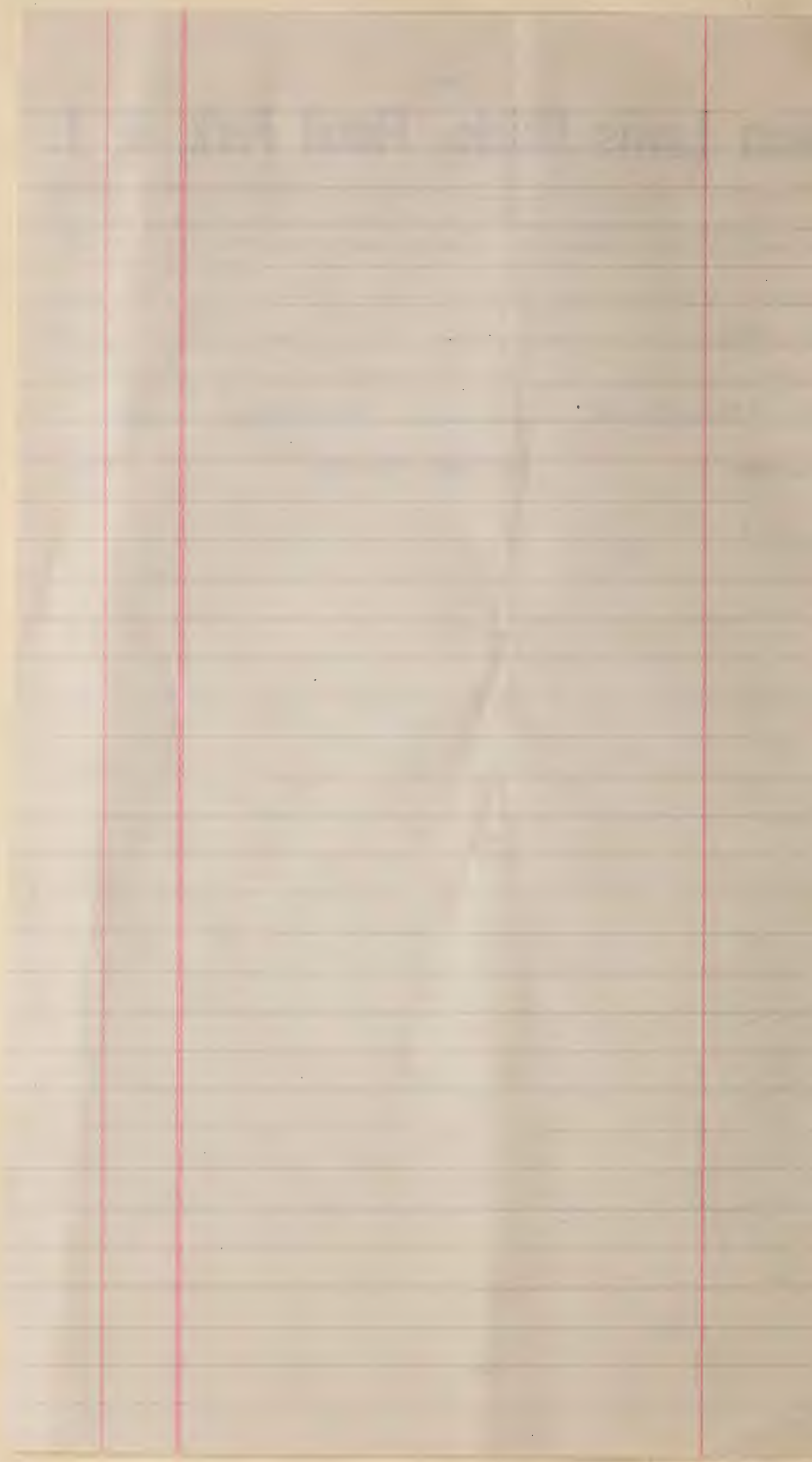
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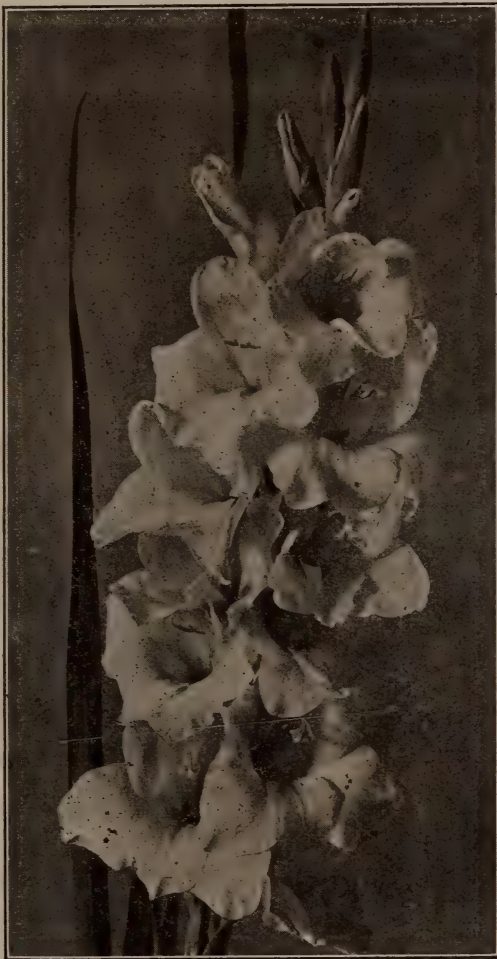
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Still the peer of all Gladioli.

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10 Bulbs at 100 rates. 250 at 1000 rates.

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By far the most vigorous and easily-grown Gladiolus known. Strong and healthy, with luxuriant dark-green foliage and a freedom of growth and flowering surpassing all others. It is the florists variety of to-day.

Flowers. Spikes two to three feet long, erect with a great number of large spreading blossoms, all facing one way and showing a color the delicacy and beauty of which it is impossible to describe or reproduce. It is an exquisite soft lavender pink, very light, almost a tinted white; the color is the same as seen in the most exquisite Cattleya Orchids. No color like it in any other Gladiolus; none half so beautiful. For florists use and for bedding it is without a rival.

**\$5.00 per 100; \$40.00 per 1000;
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Blue Jay (Baron Hulot) — The finest blue Gladiolus yet seen. It is a rich, deep color of an indo shade. The only real blue Gladiolus on the market, and a very valuable addition to the list of extra fine Gladiolus.

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Showing large open flowers.

Electros will be furnished free with orders if asked for.

Contrast — Flowers of great substance and a beautiful compact spike of perfect form. Color intense scarlet with a large, distinct pure white center which is neither tinted or mottled. One of the most striking and beautiful Gladiolus ever introduced.

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Irene — Fine large flower and spike. Color a fine shade of pink freely flaked bright crimson.

\$5.00 per 100 \$40.00 per 1000

Mayor — Fine large compact spike; rich purple rose.

\$10.00 per 100

Melrose — White flaked pink, bright crimson centre. Very large and fine.

\$10.00 per 100

Sulphur King — Beautiful clean, sulphur yellow, finest and clearest of yellow sorts, without any doubt this is the very best yellow variety yet introduced.

\$20.00 per 100

Sunlight — Light crimson with large canary-yellow throat. Mottled velvety maroon. Very striking color.

\$6.00 per 100

Wild Rose — Very bright rose or blush tint, exceedingly delicate and pretty. This variety needs only to be seen to be appreciated and we predict a great future for it. In its particular color it stands alone.

\$20.00 per 100

GLADIOLI OF SPECIAL MERIT

Childs.

	Per 100	Per 1000	Per 5000		Per 100	Per 1000	Per 5000
AMERICA —Large flower, flesh pink beautiful.....	\$5 00	\$40 00	\$170 00	Irene —Fine large flower and spike. Color a fine shade of pink freely flaked bright crimson.....	\$5 00	\$40 00	\$175 00
Attraction —Deep, dark, rich crimson with a very conspicuous large pure white center and throat. At once a most beautiful and attractive sort.....	6 00	50 00		Kate —Blush white, with crimson blotched throat.....	6 00	50 00	
Blanche —Large flowers, pure snow-white, with but faint marks.....	10 00	80 00		Little Blush —Dwarf habit, compact spike of a blush white....	3 00	25 00	
Brilliant —Beautiful orange-red with carmine and white throat.....	4 00	30 00		Nezinscott —Bright blood-scarlet, with deep velvety crimson-black blotches and white mottlings in throat.....	5 00	40 00	
Columbia —Light orange-scarlet, freely blotched and penciled with bluish-purple. Throat freely mottled.....	2 00	15 00	70 00	Oddity —Deep amaranth red, deeply suffused with purple-blue. Large distinct white marks.....	3 00	25 00	
Deborah —Dark red, tinged with amaranth. Very large pure white throat and blotches, white band through petals....	4 00	30 00		Salem —Fine salmon-pink, maroon blotches.....	4 00	30 00	
Eva —Beautiful rose shaded and marked with slate. Throat mottled.....	5 00	40 00		Superb —Enormous flower and spike, one of the very largest; pink, flaked and striped with salmon pink.....	6 00	50 00	
Florida —Deep dark-red. Very early.....	2 00	15 00	65 00	Sunlight —Light crimson with canary-yellow throat. Mottled velvety maroon. Very striking color.....	6 00	50 00	
Gracilis —Slender, graceful spike with large flowers of a dull red color, margined and penciled with slate blue.....	3 00	25 00		Variabilis —Blue-black flaked with pink, very odd.....	5 00	40 00	
Henry Gillman —Deep salmon-scarlet, with pure white bands.....	2 00	15 00	65 00	Wm. Falconer —Spike of great length and flowers of enormous size. Beautiful clear light pink.....	4 00	35 00	

Gandavensis

	Per 100	Per 1000	Per 5000		Per 100	Per 1000	Per 5000
Ajax —Beautiful striped.....	\$3 00	\$25 00		ed with red, center is very well lighted, with large, pure white stain.....	1 50	12 00	50 00
AUGUSTA —Lovely pure white, with blue anthers.....	2 00	15 00	65 00	MADAME MONNERET —Delicate rose.....	3 00	20 00	
BRENCHLEYENSIS —Vermillion-scarlet, fine old variety.....	1 50	10 00	45 00	May —A lovely pure white flower finely flaked bright rosy crimson.....	2 00	15 00	70 00
CANARY BIRD —Finest yellow.....	7 00	60 00		Mrs. Krelage —Firey red, white throat, veined carmine and white.....	5 00	40 00	
CERES —Pure white, spotted with purplish rose.....	1 50	12 00	55 00	OCTOROON —A beautiful salmon-pink; very distinct.....	4 00	30 00	140 00
EMMA THURSBY —White ground; carmine stripes through petals.....	3 00	20 00	90 00	Prolific Pink —A good pink of remarkably free growth.....	1 00	8 00	35 00
EUGENE SCRIBE —Flowers very large and wide; perfect tender rose, blazed carmine-red.....	4 00	30 00		REINE BLANCHE —Pure white, dark carmine blotch....	3 00	20 00	90 00
GEN. PHIL SHERIDAN —Fiery red, white line running through each petal.....	3 00	25 00		SHAKESPEARE —White, very slightly suffused with carmine-rose; large rosy blotch....	6 00	50 00	
Glory of Brightwood —Scarlet; with lemon throat.....	4 00	30 00		Sylphide —Pure white, flamed carmine.....	4 00	30 00	
ISAAC BUCHANAN —Very fine yellow.....	5 00	40 00		Thalia —White, flamed and streaked with carmine.....	4 00	30 00	
LAMARCK (DE) —Cherry, lightly tinted with orange blaz-							

Miscellaneous

	Per 100	Per 1000	Per 5000		Per 100	Per 1000	Per 5000
Blue Jay —(Baron Hulot)—The finest blue Gladiolus yet seen. It is a rich deep color of indigo shade. The only real blue Gladiolus on the market.....	\$10 00	\$90 00		Marie Lemoine —Large spike of fine well-expanded flowers; upper division of a pale creamy color flushed salmon-lilac, the lower divisions spotted violet and yellow.....	2 00	18 00	
EASTER GLADIOLUS —(Mme Lemonier)—Very early, white with lemon tinge.....	1 50	12 00		Mrs. Francis King —Light scarlet of pleasing shade.....	5 00	40 00	
Jessie —Fine velvety red long spike of flowers.....	2 00	15 00		Princeps —(The Amaryllis-Flowered Gladiolus.) Color; rich crimson with broad white blotches across the lower petals making it a most striking variety.....	10 00		
Klondyke —Light yellow, crimson maroon blotch.....	6 00	50 00					

Our Grand Mixed Gladioli.

Our mixed Gladioli are very fine indeed, being choice varieties only. All old and common ones have been discarded, and customers can depend upon having a large and magnificent variety of colors.

Blue Hybrid Seedlings.

This mixture is the result of sowing seeds of the best blue shades obtainable from Europe and the variation of colors is beyond description. Per 100, \$5.00; per 1000, \$40.00.

Pink and White Mixture (New)

This is the ideal mixture for the florist who wants something extra fine for particular trade. Some of our best whites and pinks are used, including "America." \$3.00 per 100; \$25.00 per 1000.

	Per 100	Per 1,000
Childs Mixed —First quality. Extra large and fine flower. Cannot be beat for garden planting. Contains many named varieties and beautiful seedlings.	2 00	18 00
Childs Mixed —Good quality, darker shades.	1 50	12 00
Gandavensis —All colors, mixed, first size, first quality.	1 50	10 00
Popular Mixture —This is composed of good sized bulbs, but not all strictly first size, and a good range of colors. For general use we recommend it in preference to all first or all second size.	1 00	8 00
Superb Seedlings —These are extra fine, producing the greatest possible range of colors.	1 50	12 00
Our XXX Mixture —Just the stock for those who want only the very best, made up of named varieties and includes a good percent of Childs Hybrids.	2 00	15 00
Groff's Hybrids Mixed —First size, finest quality.	1 00	9 00
Lemoine's Mixed —First size, first quality. A splendid range of colors.	1 50	10 00
Lemoine's Seedlings	1 50	12 00

Mixtures Under Separate Colors G. Gandavensis.

These are very choice and absolutely true to color. We call special attention to our EXTRA WHITE and LIGHT. They are extra fine.

Extra White and Light varieties, mixed, all first class, best named sorts.	2 50	20 00
White and Light varieties, mixed superb.	1 50	12 00
Scarlet and Red —Extra fine scarlet and red.	1 00	9 00
Pink —Fine pink and rose shades.	1 50	12 00
Yellow and Orange —Best yellow colors.	3 50	30 00
Striped and Variegated —Extra fine.	2 50	20 00
Scarlet, White Throat —Extra fine, mixed.	2 00	16 00

Lycoris Squamigera or Amaryllis Hallii

A perfectly hardy Amaryllis producing beautiful pink flowers.

One of the very good things never widely introduced and almost lost to floriculture.

DESCRIPTION:—Lycoris Squamigera produces in early spring attractive green foliage which grows until July when it ripens off and disappears, and one not familiar with its habits would think the bulb had died, but about a month later as if by magic the flower stalks spring from the ground to a height of two or three feet, developing an umbel of large and beautiful lily-shaped flowers 3 to 4 inches across and from 8 to 12 in number, of a delicate lilac pink shaded with clear blue.

CULTURE:—As the bulb is perfectly hardy without any protection it can be planted either in the Fall or Spring but we consider Fall the best time as the bulbs will have splendid chance to get established before flowering time. Cover the crown about 4 inches.

Very Useful for the Hardy Border or Among Shrubby.

35c. each. \$30.00 per 100

CALLA ELLIOTTIANA.

This is the great new Yellow Calla of marvelous beauty. Flowers are very large, rich deep golden yellow often 4 to 5 inches across the mouth, leaves are spotted with white. Such handsome foliage together with such remarkable flowers present a striking appearance indeed.

Strong Bulbs \$15.00 per 100



CHINESE
SACRED LILY.

Sacred Lilies.

Of all winter flowers the Sacred Lilies are probably the most popular and universally grown. Few flowers equal them in beauty and fragrance and none in free growing and blooming qualities.

Imperial Chinese Sacred Lily — The greatest and most popular winter-blooming bulbs. They are very large and each one sends up from five to twelve spikes, which bear clusters of large perfect, waxy-white blossoms with a yellow center, and a powerful and delicate fragrance, which is not excelled by any flower. They grow well in pots of soil; but the most popular way of blooming them is the Chinese method, as follows: Fill a bowl or some

similar vessel with pebbles, in which place the bulb, setting it about one-half its depth, so that it will be held firmly; then fill with water to the top of the pebbles, and place in a warm sunny window. The bulbs will at once commence a rapid growth and bloom in three weeks. This improved sort has a much larger bulb and finer flowers than the common sort. In fact it is so much superior that we do not offer the old one any longer. We advise our friends to plant this variety, for we know it will be so much better than the common and cheaper one. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Japanese Double Sacred Lily — Fine, large clusters of double blossoms. Pure white, with orange center. 10c. each; 3 for 25c.

Golden Sacred Lily — As compared with the Chinese Sacred Lily this produces a much larger flower, though the bulb is smaller. Its fragrance is even better and its color a deep, glowing yellow. 5c. each; 6 for 25c.

The 3 sorts for 50c.



EUCHARIS
AMAZONICA



Eucharis Amazonica.

If there is a purer, sweeter, or more exquisitely beautiful flower than this we have never had the good fortune to see it. It is a bulbous plant, throwing up tall spikes on which are borne several very large, star-shaped flowers of the purest waxy whiteness and unexcelled fragrance. For chaste beauty it has no peer, and is a plant that is as rare as it is beautiful, and we are fortunate in being able to offer large flowering bulbs at only 25c. each; 3 for 60c. Blooms about Easter.

The Black Calla.

Among recent bulb introductions we doubt if there has, in several years, been anything brought out which is so eminently distinct as this. It is a bulb which has come to stay and find its way rapidly into every collection of winter flowers. We say winter flowers, as it is strictly a winter bloomer and will bloom no other time. Its flowers are enormous, fully a foot in length; color coal-black, so intense that it really shows a brilliancy, and as may well be imagined, it is a flower of most striking oddity and beauty. A person who possesses a bulb of this Calla has, indeed, a treasure which will be the envy of the entire neighborhood. The bulbs are large, and should be potted in the fall, and when growth commences set in a window. After blooming, the foliage will die down, and the bulbs should be kept dry for planting again in the fall. 25c. each; 3 for 60c.



BLACK
CALLA
LILY.

